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A NEW WAR?

MANCHURIAN TROOP MOVEMENTS

"YOUNG CHANG"

May Go Out in Support of Gen. Tang Yu-lin

90,000 MEN IN POSITION

Movements of troops on a large scale by the Manchurian authorities point to General Chang Hsueh-liang having made up his mind to support General Tang Yu-lin (his late father's supporter) in the latter's desire to remain as Tutung of the Jehol extramural area. The moving up of Nationalist troops other than those originally engaged against the Northerners is portentous, particularly as it is Chiang Kai-shek's men who are going up into the mining zone. It may even be that they are to endeavour to enforce the National Government's appointment of General Fang Chen-wu as Tutung instead of Tang Yu-lin. However, the Manchurians now have 90,000 men in position.

CHANG TSUNG-CHANG ESCAPES

Tongshan, Yesterday. Manchurian forces remain established on the left bank of the Lan River and along that part of the Peking-Mukden Railway between Lanhien and Shanhai-kwan. The reported strength is 90,000. It is probable that these will occupy the area covering the approaches to Jehol to prevent any possible attempt by the Nationalists to take the district from Tang Yu-lin. Meanwhile the original Nationalist troops (of the 4th Army Group), under General Pei Chung-hsi, have

and therefore appears somewhat out of place when mentioned in the same breath as other Party leaders, but still, for the sake of unity, he should be taken into the fold.

An "Uphill Tiger"?

"You cannot force the tiger to go uphill," explained General Feng, "because our relations with Japan are such that we must not and cannot take chances lest we should be involved in further difficulties. I, therefore, approve of the election of Chang Hsueh-liang on the Council. Of course, it is to be hoped that he will see the new path ahead of him and strive for the realization of the 'Three People's Principles.' Anyone who is doing truly revolutionary work is a faithful comrade in the Party."—Ta Chung.

REPLAYS ORDERED

South China Field Ineligible

The matches between South China and Ewo Chinese, also the Hung Kui School and South China, played on October 3 and October 10 respectively, have been ordered to be replayed by the League Management Committee owing to South China playing an ineligible player.

withdrawn from Lanhien and are concentrating around Tongshan. But they have been joined by other units, believed to belong to the 1st Nationalist Army Group, mostly men under Marshal Chiang Kai-shek.

Stragglers Scatter

The Shantung-Chihli Army (best known as the Northerners) has been completely disarmed by the Nationalists. The men have scattered in various directions between Tongshan and Tientsin (i.e., in the direction of their native provinces).

With Northern stragglers moving out, traffic on the Peking-Mukden Railway between Tongshan, Tangku and Tientsin is now normal. Traffic from Tientsin beyond Tongshan to Shanhai-kwan (i.e., the Manchurian frontier) is expected to resume in a few days.

General Chang Tsung-chang, hitherto commander-in-chief of the Northerners, has escaped from the war zone and has reached the Japanese possession of Port Arthur, in the Liaotung Peninsula, Manchuria. He was accompanied by a small staff.

The Other Claimant

Peking, Yesterday. General Fang Chen-wu (the Nationalist nominee for the tutelage of Jehol) is reported in Chinese circles to be going to Nanking shortly to discuss the Jehol situation with the Nationalist leaders.—Reuter.

Feng's Views

Nanking, Oct. 15. Speaking to press representatives yesterday afternoon, General Feng Yu-hsiang announced that he has accepted the appointment as Vice-President of the Executive Board of the National Government. Questioned as to what he thought of the appointment of General Chang Hsueh-liang on the State Council, General Feng said that while it is true that "Young Chang" has not yet hoisted the national flag

"BOB" WITCHELL PASSES

DEATH AT HOME

A WELL-KNOWN AND POPULAR SPORTSMAN

23 YEARS WITH GOVT.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. Robert Charles Wittchell, A.R.S.I., Senior Sanitary Inspector, who passed away at home on Friday last, the 19th instant, at the age of 45. He leaves in Hong Kong a daughter (now Mrs. Pinguet) and a son, who is employed in the Colonial Secretary's Office. His brother, "Jim" Wittchell, is manager of the King Edward Hotel. Born and brought up in the Colony, "Bob" (as he was familiarly known to all and sundry) was a son of the late "Josh" Wittchell, who at the time of his death was manager of the Hotel now conducted by his son.

An Interport Captain

"Bob" Wittchell, in his young days, took great interest in sport, particularly rowing, swimming, water polo and cricket. He was also a keen Volunteer.

A sports correspondent highly praises "Bob" Wittchell as captain of Hong Kong in interport water polo against Shanghai. He also led the Victoria Recreation Club team in the league for a number of seasons and was one of the best defenders Hong Kong had. Because of his prowess at water polo, "Bob" also excelled in throwing the water polo ball contests and was a good and powerful all-round swimmer in addition.

His enthusiasm in getting V.R.C. crews together both in interport and local rowing was unbounded. As a left-hand medium-pacer bowler, he has taken wickets galore for Civil Service Cricket Club. He was also useful with the bat and in the field.

His War Service

During the War he rose to be Company-Sergeant-Major in the Volunteers of which he was an enthusiastic member.

"Bob" spoke several branches of the Cantonese dialect and also the Hakka dialect with facility.

The late Mr. Wittchell was born on May 31, 1883 and entered Government service in 1900, being appointed Water Inspector in the P.W.D. In 1903 he was transferred to the Sanitary Department, rising to Senior Sanitary Inspector in October, 1926. During a part of 1918 and 1919 he was seconded for Military Service. It is as Honorary Secretary of the V.R.C. that "Bob" Wittchell was most remembered in his later years. This post he held over a long period, and proved most energetic, as the variety of boxing tournaments, sports meetings, billiard championships, and dances held during his term of office testify.

WAR DEBTS

MR. CHURCHILL MAKES A STATEMENT

PAYING AND RECEIVING

London, Yesterday. The British attitude at the forthcoming "Reparations" Conference was foreshadowed by Mr. Churchill in a speech at Chingford.

He declared that Britain was ready to accept an invitation to the conference on the subject of German reparations and do all possible to help any good arrangements, but Britain had already made an immense and unequalled contribution to the reduction of reparations and war debts in Europe. He pointed out that in the present year we had to pay America \$33,000,000 simultaneously with receiving \$32,000,000 from European debtors. Hence we were at a point of achieving the position contemplated in the Balfour Note and do our utmost to maintain that position in the future.—Reuter.

BRITISH MINISTER

MR. C. RHYS WINGFIELD GOING TO BANGKOK

FORMERLY OF TOKYO

London, Yesterday. Mr. Charles Rhys Wingfield, C.M.G., has been appointed British Minister at Bangkok.—Reuter. [Mr. Wingfield, who is Counsellor to the British Embassy in Rome, was first secretary in 1915 at the British Embassy in Tokyo.]

WANG & YADA MEET AGAIN

TAKE A FIRM STAND

BOTH SIDES ADMIT SERIOUS DIFFERENCES

WHAT THE CHINESE SUSPECT

Nanking, To-day. Official Chinese reports of last evening state that further progress has been made at the conference between Dr. C. T. Wang (Chinese Foreign Minister) and Mr. S. Yada (Japanese Consul-General at Shanghai) towards settlement of outstanding differences. The Press and public of Nanking are keeping a watchful eye on the negotiations, the consensus of opinion urging that the National Government take a firm stand with full satisfaction in connection with the Tsinan incident, and negoti-

STILL FINE

N. E. winds, moderate, fine in the forecast until noon to-morrow. The anticyclone is now central over Japan.

The position of the typhoon is uncertain. It is probably situated more than 200 miles north of Yap moving W.N.W. or N.W. Fresh monsoon will prevail along the south east coast and over the north China Sea.

tion of Treaties on a basis of equality.

Only a Gesture?

Both sides frankly admit there are serious differences but it is believed that both sides are sincere in desiring a settlement on a fair basis. Chinese circles fear, however, that Baron Tanaka (the Japanese Premier) may block an agreement and delay action in a manner nullifying results of the conference. This uneasiness is based on a report from Japan that Baron Tanaka's action in sending Mr. Yada to Nanking is a mere gesture to appease public opinion in Japan, which is demanding an early settlement of outstanding Chinese-Japanese issues.

The conference resumed this morning.—Reuter.

Mr. Yoshizawa Explains

Kobe, Yesterday. Mr. Yoshizawa (Japanese Minister to China), in a Press interview, said that he was out of touch with the progress of negotiations, either with Nanking or Mukden, but commenting on the pourparler between Dr. C. T. Wang and Mr. S. Yada, he said that possibly the Nanking, Hankow, and Tsinan affairs were touched upon in the course of free discussions. He believed that very likely the conversations would centre around the Chinese Tariff question, concerning which he said that the outcome of the Peking Tariff Conference consisted on the one hand of a recognition of China's tariff autonomy by the foreign Powers and on the other of China's pledge to abolish likin. The latter was difficult but the Chinese leaders declare that they will carry it out, he added.—Reuter.

NEW OIL

EXPLORATIONS IN RUSSIA

AT KERCH AND BATUM

Moscow, Yesterday. The Supreme Council of National Economy of the Soviet Republic has ordered explorations for new oil in gas bearing fields to be carried out during the next five years. Soviet oil trusts have started boring works on the Kerch Peninsula and near Batum.—Reuter.

MORE RUBBER

RUSSIAN ENGINEERS CLAIM

"FROM ORDINARY WEEDS"

Kiev, Yesterday. An engineer named Volnovsky, claims that as a result of four year's experiments he has succeeded in making rubber from ordinary weeds.—Reuter.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 2/0 3/16.

ANGLO-FRENCH COMPROMISE

THE DOCUMENT

DETAILS ISSUED OF A CONTROVERSIAL MEASURE

INTERESTING FACTS

London, Yesterday. The White Paper, dealing with the Anglo-French naval agreement, is a comprehensive document of fifty pages, containing not merely the correspondence between the British and French Governments but relevant despatches, also extracts of the minutes of the meetings of the Preparatory Disarmament Commission, showing how the impasse on naval and military disarmament was largely due to a fundamental divergence of views between the two said Governments.

It reveals how, with the knowledge and approval of the Commission, discussions between experts and certain governments and groups of governments were pursued. The internal evidence of the Anglo-French correspondence disproves the suggestion of an Anglo-French political understanding or secret agreement, and shows that the reluctance of both countries to recede from their previous position was only overcome by their desire to find a basis for the resumption of the work of the Preparatory Commission.

The paper includes the Notes published in the "Echo de Paris," the speech of Sir Austen Chamberlain in the House of Commons about the compromise, Lord Cusendun's statement at Geneva, and the American Note, which appears as a communication from the U. S. Ambassador, to Great Britain, Mr. Houghton, to Lord Cusendun.

U.S. and German Views

It is noteworthy that while Mr. Houghton does not refer to British acquiescence in the French standpoint with regard to army trained reserves, mentioned in the British Note of June 28, but concentrates on the Naval question, this point is taken up by the German Government, as shown in the telegram of Ambassador Rumbold to Sir A. Chamberlain, dated August 4, saying that the German Government is "somewhat disconcerted by the news of the Franco-British Naval Compromise and fear it may imply some concession on the part of His Majesty's Government as regards the question of the limitation of land forces."

Sir A. Chamberlain replied to Herr Rumbold on August 5 authorising him to give the German Government the assurance that nothing in the compromise was inconsistent with the Locarno Treaties, and declaring that the text of the Compromise refers exclusively to naval limitation, but that it is an understanding with the French Government made before the text of the Compromise was drawn up and that His Majesty's Government was prepared to withdraw opposition to the views of the French and most other Governments on the question of trained reserves, which had caused a deadlock in the Preparatory Commission of March, 1927. If the French Government were prepared to meet His Majesty's Government on the question, the Naval limitation concludes that no other engagement had been assumed by either Government.

Exchange of Notes

What led to the exchange of Notes on June 28, July 20 and 28 appears to have been the conversation at Geneva between M. Briand and Sir A. Chamberlain on March 9, 1928, at Lord Cusendun's suggestion at which Sir A. Chamberlain regretted the diametrical opposition of the Anglo-French views on the two "crucial" military and naval questions, and said that public opinion realised that concessions were necessary by all parties in view of the general settlement, and if he could point to a concession by the French in naval matters, it would probably acquiesce his yielding a point on the military side.

"Misapprehension"

Mr. Houghton's communication was in reply to a telegram from Lord Cusendun on August 10 to the charge d'affaires at Washington referring to a certain misapprehension in Washington as regards the exact scope and purpose of the Anglo-French proposals, and emphasising that it was agreement

WESTERNIZATION OF AFGHANISTAN

KING'S EFFORTS

A SUCCESSFUL PUNITIVE EXPEDITION

NEAR KABUL

Peshawar, Yesterday. Afghan Cavalry and Artillery from Gardez successfully carried out a punitive expedition, on the 10th inst. against Chizai Village in the vicinity of the Altunur Pass on the Kabul Gardez Road. Although no details are yet available the action seems to confirm the stories that trouble is brewing in Afghanistan owing to King Amanullah's efforts to enforce westernisation as speedily as possible.—Reuter.

and not a treaty or even a final binding agreement; and stating that unless it led to the signing of an agreed convention at Geneva its purpose would not be achieved and that further attempts at a compromise would be necessary to prevent the abandonment of all hope in international limitation and armaments, and explaining why His Majesty's Government had reluctantly not been offering further resistance to French views on the matter of military reserves, which was the stumbling block at Geneva. And inter alia because the acceptance of the French thesis would have the important effect of winning over the French Government to the British and American side in the matter of classification as a basis of naval limitation.

Italy's Views

Italy's views were explained in a Note Verbale of Oct. 6, a summary of which was cabled on Oct. 10.

The correspondence concludes with a circular despatch from Lord Cusendun on Oct. 9 to His Majesty's representatives in the capitals of all the countries represented at the Preparatory Disarmament Commission, outlining the discussions and correspondence of the proposals and declares that the Anglo-French Compromise cannot be regarded as a detached and isolated event but as the most recent link in a long chain to endeavour and implement the provisions of Article 8 in the Covenant of the League.

The "Alleged Secrecy"

Lord Cusendun recapitulates the attempts to find a solution of the impasse culminating in the conversation between M. Briand and Sir A. Chamberlain on March 3, 1928, and says a compromise was eventually reached, which while admittedly incomplete, would be added to two further classes, and to the two classes limited by the Washington Treaty.

He concludes by repudiating the criticisms of His Majesty's Government with respect to the alleged secrecy of the negotiations and refers to the statement of Sir A. Chamberlain in the House of Commons on July 30. Lord Cusendun's statement to the Press of August 30 says that the replies of the United States, Italy and Japan to the proposals are receiving attentive consideration and will be answered in due course.

French "Yellow Book"

Paris, Yesterday. A Yellow Book has been issued relating to the Naval Compromise, identical with the British White Paper, excepting that it contains French despatches to French diplomats abroad.

It is noteworthy that the document procured by Horan and published in the "New York American" is not included in the Yellow Book, as it was of secondary importance, merely containing a general version of the events for the benefit of French diplomats in the capitals not directly interested.—Reuter.

Japan's Note

Tokyo, Yesterday. The Government has published the Japanese note, dated Sept. 7, in reply to the British note of Aug. 2, outlining the Anglo-French Naval Agreement. Japan expressed "sincere concurrence" with the principles of the Agreement but urged reconsideration of the clauses dealing with the limitation of 10,000 ton cruisers and large submarines since it is believed impossible to set inflexible limits to these types, which will satisfy all nations.—Reuter.

A BIG TOURIST SEASON

FOR HONG KONG

VIEW OF LOUIS D. STONE, OF "BEIGENLAND"

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A heavy tourist season for Hong Kong this year is predicted by Louis D. Stone, cruise director of the s.s. "Beigenland," largest around-the-world steamer, who came with a party of tourists on the liner "President Pierce" yesterday.

Interviewed at the Hong Kong Hotel, Mr. Stone said that the "Beigenland" has booked 400 passengers for its next world cruise, the largest American Express tour to call at Hong Kong. Last year the "Beigenland" brought about 350 passengers to Hong Kong.

Mr. Stone said he has had reports that the "Franconia" will bring a bigger party of tourists this season than last.

The present tour is composed largely of persons who attended the Eucharistic Congress in Australia. The Eucharistic Cruise-Tour to Australia is headed by Mr. Stone and is being undertaken in co-operation with the American Express Company of New York City.

Enthronement in Japan

The members of this party left San Francisco on the s.s. "Venture" August 11, visiting in turn, Honolulu, Pago-Pago, Samoa Islands. Then the party proceeded to Suva in the Fiji Islands, and thence to Sydney, Australia, to attend the

ENGLAND WINS

Beats Ireland at Soccer

London, Yesterday.

In the international soccer match at Everton, in sunny weather before 25,000 people, England beat Ireland by two goals to one.—Reuter.

Eucharistic Congress, September 6 to 9.

The party sailed from Melbourne on the s.s. "Nieuw Zeeland" September 22 and visited Macassar in the Celebes, Sourabaya in Java as well as Samarang, Batavia for a few days, and thence to Singapore. From Singapore the party proceeded to Manila on the s.s. "Saarbrücken."

They arrived here aboard the "President Pierce" and will leave by the "President Jackson" on October 30 for Japan, where they expect to attend the enthronement services in honour of the new Emperor of Japan in Kyoto in early November. They will sail on the s.s. "President Taft" November 18 for San Francisco.

Bishop Dunn

Travelling with the party is Bishop Dunn of New York City, who represented Cardinal Hayes in the Eucharistic Congress. Bishop Dunn delivered the Spiritual Bouquet to His Excellency, Cardinal Cerrito to be given to the Pope.

Bishop Dunn and secretary are staying at the Maryknoll Mission, Kowloon.

The members of the party are as follows:—
Bishop J. J. Dunn, New York City. Rev. Father J. McDonnell, New York City. Rev. Father J. C. Cushman, New York City. Rev. Father J. G. Eiler, San Francisco, Calif. Rev. Father E. J. Colligan, Scranton, Pa. Rev. Father F. Meany, Chicago, Ill. Miss Julia Shaughnessy, Pittsburgh, Pa. Miss Katherine Collins, Pittsburgh, Pa. Miss Helen Murray, San Francisco, Calif. Miss Cecilia Murray, San Francisco, Calif. Mr. Louis Gandolfo, Livermore, Calif. Miss M. L. Glueck, San Francisco, Calif. Miss Rose Carroll Patterson, N.J. Miss Evangeline Carroll, Patterson, N.J. Mr. John O'Rourke, Boston, Mass. Dr. R. W. Cullen, Ithaca, N.Y. Louis D. Stone, Cruise-Tour Director, New York City.

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By Order,
H. R. FORSYTH,
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Hong Kong, 12th October, 1928.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

DRAFT PROGRAMMES and **ENTRY FORMS** for the **SEVENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING** to be held on **SATURDAY, 10th November, 1928** (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Race Course, Hong Kong Club, and Causeway Bay Stables.
Entries will **CLOSE** at 12 o'clock noon on **WEDNESDAY, 31st October, 1928.**
Hong Kong, 19th Oct., 1928.

MACAO RACES.

DRAFT Programmes and **Entry Forms** for the **GYMKHANA RACE MEETING** to be held on **SUNDAY, 4th November, 1928.** (Weather Permitting) may be obtained from the I.R.R.C., Macao, Causeway Bay Stables and Roxor Advertising Co. Entries **CLOSE** at Macao 2.30 p.m. **WEDNESDAY, 24th October, 1928.**

NOTICE.

DR. ASGER, DENTAL SURGEON, has removed his office to **KAYAMALLY BUILDING, 20/22, Queen's Road Central.** Hong Kong, 1st Sept., 1928.

ALWAYS SCANDAL

HEARST'S RULES FOR NEWSPAPERMEN

WATCHING THE PRINCE

"L'audace, toujours l'audace" was the motto of Napoleon. The motto of Hearst journalism is "Scandal, more scandal and always scandal." In connection with the expulsion from Paris of Hearst's correspondent Horan, a writer in the



Capt. Arturo Ferrarin, famous Italian ace, who with Major Carlo del Prete set a new long-distance record when they flew 4,500 miles from Italy to Brazil. They used the monster seaplane "Savola" in which they had previously established a world record for endurance flight.

"Journal de Shanghai" gave some amusing personal recollections of instructions sent to Hearst correspondents abroad, as the sort of stuff desired at headquarters. One standing order is embodied in two words: "Thinkstuff unwanted." Starting from this principle, the following indicates the sort of stuff that is wanted.

At Berlin, after the Locarno Conference, the Hearst correspondent was asked for "some effort of imagination in the nature of publication of secret dealings calculated to bring about a 'bust up.' If not dig out some offer by Soviet agents to avenge themselves on Stresemann for their discomfiture."

Always Good Copy

The Prince of Wales is always considered good copy as the following instructions to the London correspondent show:

"Although the subject is rather old the mere possibility of the Prince of Wales becoming engaged would still be worth the front page and anything your imagination can produce in the way of a story of his engagement would be welcome."

"After stories of religion and religious quarrels 'radio' is the most interesting thing. Nowadays it is more sought after than professional sport in America. There is a Chinese New Year, and a Jewish New Year both good for stories. We should like a hundred lines of what the Prince of Wales will wear on Easter Day. Don't hesitate to send all you can make up about the Prince's matrimonial intentions or the rest of the family now that he has come home. What does he do in the day? What racy story can you find in this connection of night clubs or a pretty actress? Dig up the gossip about the Prince of Wales and the Princess Astrid."

Another day Hearst was disgusted and the London correspondent "got it in the neck" because a rival correspondent had told a story of the Prince of Wales being promoted to the rank of "honorary midwife."

Some Bright Examples

When in Moscow the writer in the "Journal de Shanghai" was often shown the instructions sent to the Hearst correspondent in that city. Here are some specimens.

"Mexico and Russia pay well just now in respect of atrocities, but the Balkans are a poor field."

"Political views are interesting enough. But have they given up cutting each other's throats in Russia? Must we ask you every day for crime? Get this well into your head, Scandal, more scandal and always scandal."

Evidently the Moscow correspondent had been offending against that first of the Hearst ten commandments "thinkstuff unwanted" and the shining example of brighter young men in other cities is held up to him for his guidance, as follows:—

"Excellent story from London on a parrot in the Zoological Gardens who committed suicide was much appreciated by the New York papers."

"X. has given us an Easter story thought here to be the best of the year. He describes a custom of the Mexicans who on Holy Saturday, hang effigies of Judas, whose trousers are filled with bombs."

"We missed the story of the Queen of Roumania waving her hair. The article was an enormous success in New York."

What Really Gets Over

"Among the day's stories attracting most attention is the following: 'In the Spirit World a Deceased Sergeant Wants to Jazz!'"

"Two stories of the sort always in demand came from Europe. One was the meeting of the Y.M.C.A. at Helsingfors passed a resolution that its weekly discussions ought to be devoted to sexual problems; the other came from the meeting at Oxford of the British Association for Advancement of Science—Indian Scientist shows that flowers breathe and have children; and, 'Scientists show why bald men have the most powerful intellects.'"

The following message sent to the correspondent in Buenos Aires serves for a good climax: "Give us more stories like that of the young girl who committed suicide because her lover called her a hippopotamus."



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A REVOLUTION?

CHRISTIAN SCIENTISTS & DOCTORS

A NEW MOVE

Noted leaders of the Christian Science movement have prepared a public announcement approving a policy of co-operation with medical science which may effect a revolution in Christian Science practice. Christian Scientists who follow their lead will no longer scruple to call in the aid of a doctor, instead of relying exclusively on faith and on mind discipline.

The considerable number of deaths among Christian Scientists, whose zeal for hard-and-fast principles outran their discretion to the extent of spurning medical assistance in cases of grave illness, has caused the leaders of the Christian Science Parent Church to discourage such folly.

"Now Spirit" Church

The "Christian Science Parent Church," which represents the "new spirit" in the movement, and is a flourishing organisation with branches in Great Britain, America, and elsewhere, has now broken away from the old conception of Christian Science principles, and is urging its followers that the teaching of those who are opposed to invoking the services of medical men is based on a misconception.

Mrs. Bill, the leader of the Church in England, has drawn up a statement, stating the case for co-operation between Christian Scientists and the medical profession. Her manifesto has the approval of prominent American Christian Scientists.

This repudiates the idea that the calling in of a doctor involves any disloyalty to the Church or to the teachings of its founder, Mrs. Eddy. Hitherto Christian Scientists have been officially discouraged from seeking medical aid and often a qualified medical man has been summoned only in the last extremity, or when there was a probability of an inquest.

"Important Effect"

"Mrs. Bill's pronouncement is bound to have an important effect on Christian Science practice in England," said one of her followers to a "Daily Express" representative. "It will mean, for instance, that Christian Scientists, who include many men and women of great wealth, will no longer feel obliged to refrain from contributing to hospitals or supporting medical science in any other way."

"Christian Scientists will now be encouraged to put themselves in the hands of qualified medical men, so that the doctor can co-operate with the spiritual faith of the patient where the power of the mind is not yet sufficiently advanced to deal with the situation alone."

"The new announcement is, in effect, a realisation that the triumph of mind over matter is not always a practical proposition in our present stage of development."—Ex.

There seems to be an innate tendency in mankind to pass uncomplimentary remarks, to dress up, and generally make an ass of himself at festival times.—Professor H. V. Rose.

Young people prefer to go to the pictures and hold hands rather than listen to pier bands.—Sir John Francis (Southend alderman).

Politics! What a waste of time! —General Primo de Rivera (Spanish dictator).

STOLEN GOODS

CHINESE WOMAN CHARGED WITH RECEIVING

CONVICTS' EVIDENCE

A Chinese woman, who was arrested for receiving stolen property, was again brought before Mr. R. E. Lindsell yesterday. The defendant, it will be recalled, was arrested at the same address with two other men, who were convicted of armed robbery at the Criminal Sessions.

A woman, from a house in Hay Wong-terrace, told the Court that on July 21, her house was visited by four armed men who ransacked and robbed the inmates. The two gold bangles, blankets and several other articles which were exhibited in Court were her property. Another woman identified the clothing in Court as having been stolen by three armed men who robbed her house on August 21.

Giving evidence, a pawnbroker identified the defendant as the person who pawned the stolen bangles at his shop. The defendant, however, denied that she had knowledge that the articles which she pawned were stolen property. She asked permission to call the two men who had been convicted of armed robbery at the Sessions, saying that those men could say that she had no guilty knowledge.

The Magistrate then instructed acting D. C. I. Murphy, prosecuting, to arrange for the two prisoners concerned to be in Court on Friday at noon.

Shanghai, Yesterday.—The Municipal estimates of the International Settlement for the year 1929 are as follows:—revenue \$15,500,000; expenditure \$17,200,000.—Reuter.

680 DEATHS

OUTBREAK OF PLAGUE IN NORTH CHINA

"NEARLY OVER"

Peking, Yesterday. The Japanese Legation is to-day handing to the Diplomatic Corps a detailed statement regarding the outbreak of bubonic plague which occurred at the end of July in Inner Mongolia and, later, spread into Manchuria.

The statement gives details as to the means of fighting the plague and declares that it is nearly over. It says that the number of deaths up to Oct. 8 was 680.—Reuter.

NANKING RADIO

JAPANESE TO PROTEST CONTRACTS

Peking, Yesterday. The Japanese authorities are watching the developments in connection with the proposed scheme for the construction of a wireless station at Nanking for direct communication with foreign countries. It is understood that negotiations have already been opened with German and American contractors. The probable cost of the installation will be \$700,000 if the scheme progresses.

The Japanese Government will protest on the ground that it is a violation of treaties.—Reuter.

Not everyone can be very clever, some of us find it very hard to be good, but everyone should be under all circumstances cheerful.—Dr. Gresford Jones.

The Spanish Government has confiscated 30,000 tons of olive oil at Seville and 20,000 tons at Cordoba cornered by profiteers.

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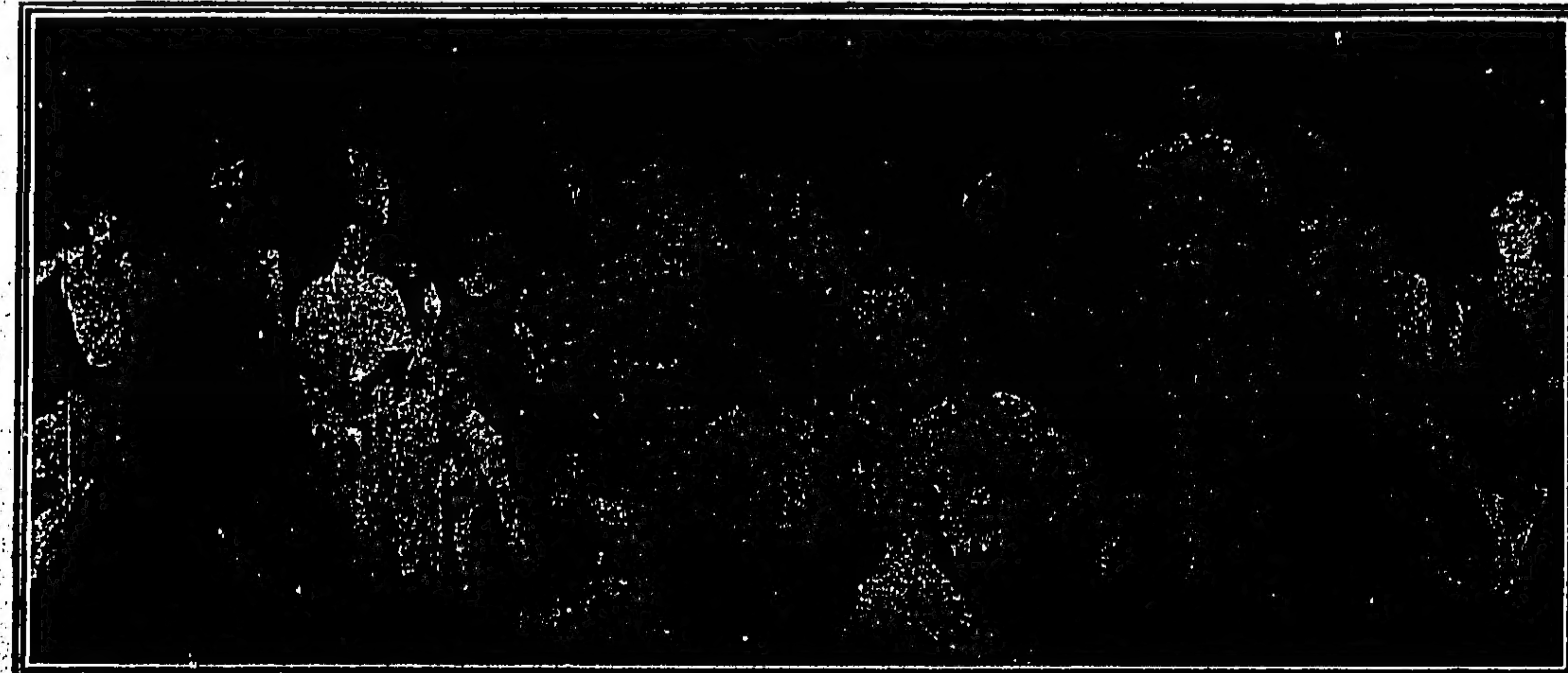
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TAMBA MARU Sunday, 11th November.
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RAKUYO MARU Monday, 12th November.
SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape Town & Ports.
HAKATA MARU Saturday, 10th November.
NEW YORK AND BOSTON via PANAMA.
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LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Geneva, Marseilles.
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CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
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MOMBASA—Via Singapore and Calcutta.
PANAMA MARU Thursday, 1st November.
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.
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SHIPPING SECTION.

SHIPS AND GOODS

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INTERESTING INVESTIGATION

Some interesting and instructive light is thrown upon the disparity between the world's available total of cargo space, and the total volume of merchandise offering for shipment by some tables compiled by the Statistical Bureau of the German Reich. It is true that the figures do not at present reach beyond the year 1925, but as practically the same conditions prevail to-day—if anything, in an intensified form—the deductions to be drawn are by no means out of date.

The Reich Statistical Bureau has made an effort to compile into tabular form the merchandise traffic of the world as carried along the sea routes. The tables published in the last few years by the League of Nations and the American Department of Commerce, do not give the quantities which are of so much interest to shipping, but are based on values and relate to world trade as a whole, whether over land or by sea.

Statistics such as these are much more easily compiled than those which relate to the maritime or sea-borne traffic alone. In the Reich Bureau's figures the traffics of the despatching and receiving countries are divided and the results compared together, and it is thought that by this method the sources of error are reduced to a minimum.

exchange of commodities between the countries of the world has increased, so far as volume is concerned by 6.7 per cent. between 1913 and 1924, and in the following year declined by about 2 per cent., so that the traffic of 1925 exceeded that of 1913 by 4.3 per cent. Thus, as the Reich Bureau emphasises, the maritime goods traffic of the world has assumed a more favourable development than is shown by statistics based on values, which, according to the publications of the American Department of Commerce and the League of Nations, indicate that the trade of 1924 was 4 per cent. behind that of 1913, while 1925 exceeded 1913 by no more than 1.7 per cent.

Traffic Distribution
It must always be borne in mind that the increase in the quality of goods shipped has not been equally distributed among all countries. The searching inquiry carried out by the Bureau into trade according to countries shows that the so-called "de-Europeanisation" of world traffic—that is to say, the fact that European traffic has declined, while America, Asia, Africa and Australia have increased their transport demands—has made considerable progress.

In 1913, over two-thirds of the sending and receiving of the goods composing the world's traffic fell to the shares of Europe. In 1925, on the other hand, in spite of the shrinkage of European trade the Continent's share of the total imports was still about two-thirds, but not very much more than one-half of the exports. The American traffic, on the other hand, has increased from 21 per cent. of the

SOME TAKEN OFF

PASSENGERS OF THE C.N.C. "KWANGSE"

SEQUEL TO GROUNDING

From H.M.S. "Bruce", Yesterday.
Some of the passengers on the China Navigation Co.'s s.s. "Kwangse," which grounded during the week-end off Ping Rock, were transferred in the ship's lifeboats to the same company's s.s. "Linan," and the latter vessel sailed at 4 p.m. for Shanghai.

Another C.N.C. vessel, the "Chinkiang," arrived here at 12 noon and has taken the "Linan's" place in standing by.—British Naval Wireless.

Messrs. Butterfield & Swire inform the "China Mail" that there is no change in the "Kwangse's" position. The Taikoo Dock tug, which left with salvage gear, etc. yesterday, under Mr. C. S. Cameron, is expected to reach the spot to-night.

H.M.S. "Bruce," leader of the 8th Flotilla Destroyer, is also standing by. The "Kwangse's" position was given as Lat. 25.10.30 N., Long. 119.17.30 E.

Dr. Chu Chao-hsin, Commissioner of Foreign Affairs at Canton, who arrived here from Canton yesterday is leaving for Shanghai by the "President Pierce" to-day. It is understood that Dr. Chu will take part in the civil service examination which is to be held at Nanking.

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Main Conclusions

Limitations of space make it possible to give only the main conclusions of the Bureau's inquiry, which are as follows:—With the exception of two groups of merchandise, the maritime goods traffic in the years 1924 and 1925 remained considerably behind that of 1913, which was not regarded in shipping circles as a particularly favourable year. Shipments of wheat, rice, flour, timber, wood pulp, cellulose, coal, coke and ores have very considerably declined in comparison with the pre-war period. There has been an increase only in the transport of mineral oils and those goods which, come into the Reich Bureau's category of "other merchandise."

A comparison of the total overseas goods traffic shows that, in the year 1913, excluding the trade within areas (formed for the purpose of the inquiry), on the same basis and with similar or equal return freight conditions, 300,000,000 tons of goods were shipped, in 1924 314,600,000 tons, and in 1925, 304,800,000 tons. This means an increase in 1924 of 14,600,000 tons as compared with 1913, and in 1925, a decline in comparison with the previous year of 4.3 per cent., an increase in comparison with the pre-war period of 1.6 per cent. Adding the traffic in the special areas, that total seaborne trade shows the following quantities:—

Tons	Index
1913	324,600,000 100
1924	340,400,000 105
1925	338,600,000 104

Thus the Reich Statistical Bureau inquiry shows that the overseas

exports and 14 per cent. of the imports to 34 per cent. and 23 per cent. respectively. In the African exporting trade and in the Australian trade as a whole, there have also been changes which are of extreme importance to shipping.

The practical application of the investigations of the Reich Statistical Bureau to shipping is easily to be found. The Bureau itself, in its report, alludes to the disparity between the increase in the "world's mercantile" tonnage, which is about 40 per cent., as compared with 1913, and the world's maritime goods traffic. The inquiry establishes the fact that there has been an increase in the length of the routes by which goods are forwarded, but this does not give any compensation for the disparity. Even after the deduction of the tonnage laid up in 1925 the disproportion is very considerable.

The Bureau also draws attention to other factors which tend to aggravate the disparity. In the first place there is the increase in the utilisable net tonnage, in proportion to the gross tonnage due to the technical progress, which has been made since 1913, also the increase of speed in the freight carrying "business," and the technical improvements at the various ports which have appreciably shortened the periods of loading and discharge. All these factors must be regarded as an actual increase in the available tonnage.

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MR. CROOK ON ITS SEX
PROBLEM

INTERESTING STATEMENT

"Sex Life in Plants" was the subject of an interesting lecture delivered by Mr. A. H. Crook at the Helena May Institute last evening, in the presence of a large audience which included His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government (the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G.) and the Chief Justice, Sir Henry Gollan, K.C.

The lecturer was introduced to the gathering by Sir Henry Gollan, who referred to the growing popularity of such subjects. Mr. Crook, being an Irishman, had chosen to deal with the subject—more romantically in the sex of plants—which was sure to prove of much interest to the audience. Sir Henry said that personally he could not imagine anything more sweet than a flapper lily of the valley.—(Laughter.)

The Address

Mr. Crook gave as one of his excuses for choosing such a subject his "entire ignorance of it," and he hoped that most of the audience were in the same condition. (Laughter.) A sure step to knowledge, Mr. Crook said, was a just recognition of one's ignorance.

Proceeding, Mr. Crook said that they were aware of those differences which defined sex in the higher order of animals, but which became less noticeable as they gradually went down the scale, until in the forms as presented by fishes, reptiles and insects they disappeared or became less apparent.

The differences of sexual system in plants were the stamens in the male plant and the pistil in the female, and it was the pollen stored in the stamens which produced the seed of generation in the ovary of the female plant. Where both organs were present in one plant a hermaphrodite species was produced.

Mr. Crook said that plants had life, intelligence and sensitiveness, and he humorously visualised a time when just due would be given to plants and it would be accorded that they were capable of suffering as much as we did. Then such humanitarian work as could be effected by a Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Plants would be called for and they would turn away from a carrot in horror could they but see its heart exposed bleeding from the cut of the knife!

Next the lecturer dealt with what in his view, constituted the hierarchy of the plant kingdom, and the differences, which counter for sex in the older forms of plants and in the new ones, and showed how pollination was arrived at with these growths. The maiden hair plant appears to have the longest history in the world, its ancestors having flourished several millions of years ago.

"One of Conceit"

Speaking as to the intelligence and physical structure of the lower order of creatures, Mr. Crook said that the question of intelligence was really one of conceit. If the common house-fly were able to speak it would probably take a prideful view of its superiority over the human being, in being able to dispense with the functions of a heart and to walk along the ceiling where the latter could not. Another homely example was the bed-bug which, defying such "safeguards as disinfectants placed around bed-pests, was shown to have sufficient intelligence to climb up the wall to the ceiling from where it finally dropped on to the bed.

If they could conceive of higher beings than man, probably they would find that in inverse proportion, this sexual system became more pronounced. Mr. Crook speculated on the sex of angels, whom poets like Milton, suffering from a puritanical complex, insisted were all males. But in these modern times they had different ideas, for when an angel was referred to, it was understood to have the shape of a pretty female. (Laughter.)

Mr. Crook then spoke of certain plants which were fast dying out, for which he found a reason in the unequal distribution of the sexes. Of this they had a nearer example in the case of the Polynesian and Melanesian races, where instead of the division of the sexes being 50-50 there were more males than females. It seemed as if nature in the case of both people and plants, when she wished to get rid of a species it caused a difference in the ratio of the sexes.

The sex of a child appeared to the nearest "heart" of a Chinese parent, who, if he were asked for his views on the birth of a baby girl, would probably heave a heavy sigh, and give vent to the expression:—"Al-yah, Pui ka fo lo." Broadly translated it would sound like this, "Damn, What a misfortune!" (Laughter.)

At the conclusion of his address, the lecturer was heartily applauded. Nothing would ever induce me to keep an Alsatian dog, after my experience in these courts, Judge Ruegg.

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ACCIDENTS

TWO EUROPEANS SENT TO
HOSPITAL

As the result of an accident, whilst driving his motor cycle in Kennedy-road last evening, Mr. D. Thompson, of the butchery department of the Dairy Farm, Ice and Cold Storage Co., Ltd., is at present in the Government Civil Hospital with a fractured collar bone.

The accident occurred through the cycle skidding on some sand which had been spread over a stretch of Kennedy-road (near the revolver range) and recently repaired. Mr. Thompson was thrown heavily and in addition to a broken collar bone he sustained several bruises. The cycle was damaged.

Mr. A. Hevey, of the Hong Kong and China Gas Co., was also the victim of an accident last night and is in the Government Civil Hospital, having sustained a broken collar bone and injuries to his head.

The injuries were apparently caused through Mr. Hevey accidentally falling down the dark back staircase of the Institute of Engineers and Shipbuilders when leaving the Club, to return to his home to Kowloon at 12.30 a.m.

It was fully half-an-hour after the accident that Mr. Hevey was discovered in a semi-conscious condition. An ambulance was immediately sent for and the patient removed to the hospital. At present his condition is considered serious.

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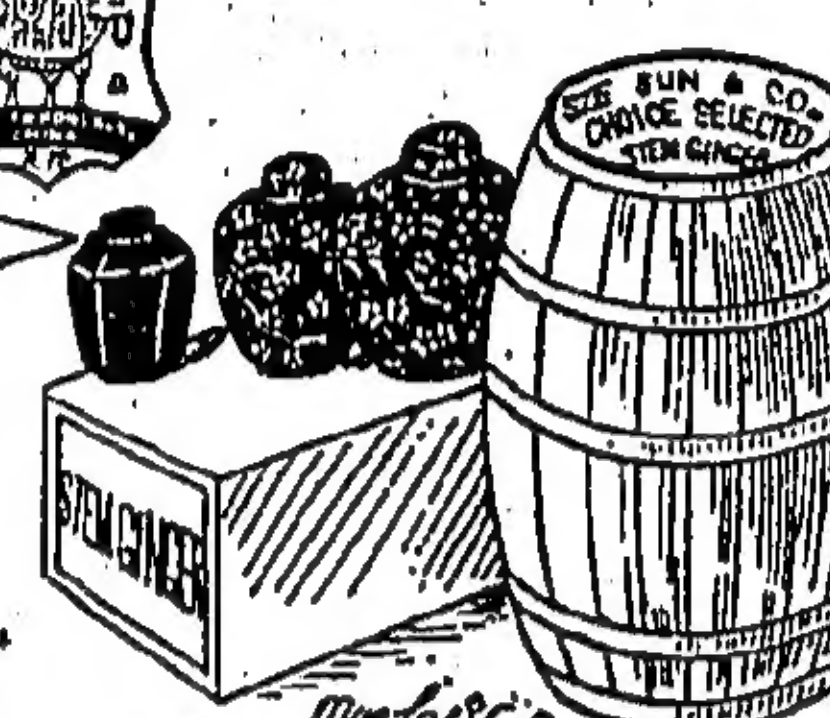
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LOOKING FOR MONEY.

Seeking a loan in the American market is materially different from asking Mr. Henry Ford and other American financiers to take an active part in the gigantic task of reconstruction in China. China would welcome either monetary accommodation or practical help; but as only superficial facts are at present available, it is difficult to look into the future. Following Mr. John W. N. Smith's apology, it will not come as a surprise if caution be the keynote of any foreign scheme of reconstruction under the auspices of the National Government at Nanking. If doubt does exist, it need not necessarily be due to the Chinese themselves. Still, if confidence is to be engendered, a joint Chinese-foreign enterprise appears to be most feasible. At this stage, therefore, investigation into the possibilities of a united effort ought to be of use to both the Chinese and potential investors in other countries. If such does come to pass, we venture to predict, methods will be new to China, or, at least, unlike those prevailing hitherto.

The day of foreign loans to China in return for specified concessions is past. Loans based on earmarked revenue or taxes will not find much favour. For nearly twenty years China's financial credit in the international sphere has steadily declined in ratio to the increase of uncertainty and the jettisoning of security. During the last few months, quotations of a few Chinese loans—so long neglected in the world's markets—have indicated slight recovery. Much leeway has still to be made up. Even then, bondholders who have

undergone anxiety or, worse still, suffered loss, are likely to be reluctant to subscribe again. Which leads us to think that if the Chinese Government seeks a loan to initiate productive reconstruction, the bulk of the proceeds will have to be found in the domestic market. Bankers and merchants have obliged the National and Provincial Governments more than once since the campaign to unite China by force was launched in 1926 and there is no vital reason why they should not do so again.

On the subject of big companies or syndicates to enter the field of reconstruction we are afraid that prospects are not encouraging. To those whose attention has not been attracted, it will come as a surprise that the number of standing concerns based on a large number of shareholders is remarkably small. Take, for instance, the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Co., which owns abundant tonnage but has made little progress of late on account of dissension. The various exchanges and markets—of which Hong Kong had a taste several years ago—were, writing generally, a failure. The so-called public-owned Canton-Hankow Railway (Kwangtung section) and the Sunning Railway have been in so pathetic turmoil that the authorities have had to intervene. The Chinese have the reputation of being shrewd business men. Yet successful joint-stock ventures are the exception and not the rule. If a reason must be sought, it will be found in Chinese psychology. Then, if it is accepted that the people concerned have not the aptitude, shall we say, of carrying out their reconstruction; and foreigners may not be able to obtain terms to their liking; the solution appears to lie in an undertaking with Sino-foreign capital and Sino-foreign control.

Our Golfing Ladies

Those ladies of Hong Kong who play golf and especially those who belong to the Ladies' Section of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club are probably as keen on the game as any ladies anywhere else. The latter, it would be noticed from yesterday's "China Mail" report, held their meeting yesterday morning, and some good work seems to have been done. It was stated that "for the first time," the report and statement of accounts had been printed. This, of course, is as it should be, for no club or section of a club can possibly regard itself as being businesslike unless such is done. Very properly Mrs. Tottenham, 1928 Championship winner, was told how proud her fellow-members were of her skill and also of the equally pleasing fact that she is likewise ladies' champion of the Colony in tennis.

There was a good deal of talk about the annual subscription and of the deplorably depressing fact that though it was only the nimble dollar that was required "half of the members had not paid." No wonder the Men's Committee had to come on more than one occasion to the ladies' assistance financially. Inadvertence, we devoutly hope, is the only cause of the non-payment of so many subscriptions. The proposal to raise the subscription to \$3 was, we note, duly carried. The additional money (particularly if again only half of the members pay up) seems very much needed, and should (if everybody pays) put the section on a fairly sound footing. Someone had the hardihood to propose a \$5 subscription, but this, we are not surprised to read, "was not approved."

The annual general meeting of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club will be held at the Club House, North Point, on Wednesday, October 31, at 5.45 p.m.

Mrs. Shellshar, Hong Kong University, having returned to the Colony, has resumed the Hon. Treasurer's office of the Hong Kong Benevolent Society vice Mrs. McElderry.

A motor bus owned by the Hong Kong Hotel, knocked down a Chinese girl, aged about 8 years, in Queen's-road Central last evening. The child was not seriously hurt.

The rehearsing of the case, in which Captain Midgeley, of the s.s. "Tai Lee," was fined \$250 for working cargo on Sunday, Aug. 19, without a permit, was heard at the Marine Court, this morning and after evidence, was again adjourned.

A Chinese was fined \$1,000 this morning, by Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Court, on a charge of unlawful possession of 14 tins of prepared non-Government opium in Connaught-road Central yesterday afternoon. The drug, in two parcels, was concealed in accused's waist band. It was ordered to be confiscated.

"A Sainted Devil," a fairy romance of the Argentine with Rudolph Valentino in the leading role, will be screened at the World Theatre for the last time to-day. From to-morrow till Saturday at the special times, of 2.30, 5.00, 7.15 and 9.30. "Beau Geste," Percival Wren's famous story of the French Foreign Legion will be the chief attraction. Ronald Colman is the hero.

In connection with Miss Maude Royden's visit to Hong Kong the following meetings will be held:—Monday, October 29, at 10.30 a.m., meeting with Clergy and Minister to be held at St. John's Cathedral Hall; Tuesday, October 30, at 5.30 p.m., public meeting in the City Hall; Wednesday, October 31, at 9.15, public meeting in the City Hall; Friday, November 2, an "At Home" is to be given by the Helena May Institute at 4 p.m. for women only. Miss Maude Royden will give an address at 5.30 p.m.

There was a large attendance to see the exhibition of old jade stones held under the auspices of the Old Jade Stones' Association on the third floor of the National Commercial and Saving Bank, No. 144, Des Voeux-road, Central last night. Rare specimens, loaned by local merchants and Canton officials, were also shown. Many of the pieces were claimed to have been owned by royal families in former generations. There were 21 pieces of New Territory jade, exhibited by Mr. Tse Tsan-tai, and a number of old paintings.

Following the arrest recently of a Chinese in connection with the mysterious disappearance of coils of rope, compasses and other ship's accessories from ship-board, while the vessels in question were lying at their berth in the harbour, two Chinese appeared before Mr. W. Schepel at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, in answer to a charge of theft of a ship's compass from one of the Butterfield and Swire vessels. The defendants were remanded for three days in police custody, at the request of the prosecution.

Last evening a Chinese mother suffered the mortification of seeing her son, commit suicide by jumping into the typhoon shelter from a Yaumati ferry launch from "Long Kong." The son had asked his mother for forty cents to buy opium, and as she had no money she had to refuse the request. The son stalked for the entire trip across the harbour and, as the launch neared Yaumati, he suddenly jumped overboard. Although the launch was immediately stopped and a seaman dived several times, the unfortunate young man was not seen again.

Captain and Mrs. Wallington (R.A.O.C.) are shortly leaving for a vacation in Shanghai, Tientsin, Peking and other North China cities.

Chan Piu-yau, master of the Shan Hang watchmaker's shop, No. 21, Queen's-road West, reported to the police yesterday that when a foki named Kwong Kong-san (28), a native of Sunning, failed to return to work yesterday he (Chan) opened a box in the shop of which the absent man had charge, and discovered that 17 metal watches worth \$120 had been stolen. Kwong is believed to have left the Colony.

CORRESPONDENCE.

HATS OFF?

[To the Editor of the "China Mail"]
Sir,—May I once again seek your kind indulgence in the Correspondence Columns of your widely-read paper?

I hasten to thank the General Manager of the Hong Kong Tramways for the speedy, and generous consideration given to a general grievance aired in the Correspondence Columns of the "China Mail" a few days ago.

In this case it was the General Manager's job to overcome difficulties, and the result is most satisfactory, for the announcement by L. C. F. Bellamy, Esq., that the Shaukiwan cars will, until further orders, run right through to the Western Market, and vice versa, is indeed a piece of good news to the tramcar patrons who reside at Whitfield, North Point, Shaukiwan-road, and Quarry Bay.

For this new through service, all are truly grateful to the General Manager, Shake!

Yours, etc.,
"SMALL MEAT."
Hong Kong, Oct. 23.

MRS. EDDY AND DRUGS

[To the Editor of the "China Mail"]
Sir,—I shall be glad if you will issue the following which, I think, is an answer to Mr. Adler's letter which appeared in the columns of your paper of yesterday's date.

Did Mrs. Eddy use drugs—a statement and an explanation.

Christian Scientists, identified with the Boston organisation and its branches in Great Britain have been made the victims of an official imposition which may seem temporarily embarrassing to them, but which in fact provides valuable evidence of the irresistible demand for a broader application of the evolutionary system founded by Mary Baker Eddy. This evidence must change the viewpoint of every honest and thoughtful student and transform the results of legitimate Christian Science practice.

Official Misstatements.

On August 29, 1928, a Committee on Publication of the Boston "Mother Church," writing officially in "The Sussex Daily News," Brighton, said: "The statement that Mrs. Eddy used drugs in the latter part of her life is untrue."

On August 15, 1928, Mr. Charles W. J. Tennant, official spokesman and District Manager of all Committees on Publication of the Boston Church in Great Britain, stated to newspaper representatives who called at his office that the assertion that Mrs. Eddy ever used morphine was "an absolute lie." Later, Mr. Tennant personally approved in advance of publication a newspaper article which contained the following sentence:—"Mr. Tennant entirely discredited the statement that Mrs. Eddy had recourse to drugs." In the "Morning Post," London, on August 23, 1928, Mr. Tennant said: "The statement that Mrs. Eddy, in her latter years, was forced to resort to a drug has been made by disloyal students, who were either dismissed or resigned from The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Massachusetts."

To various Christian Scientists who have enquired from Mr. Tennant whether it was true that Mrs. Eddy "had recourse to drugs" he has replied by letter suggesting that they would get their answer by reading Mrs. Eddy's article "Falsehood" in "Miscellaneous Writings."

First.—Did Mrs. Eddy use drugs and utilise the services of medical doctors, and are the above official denials and implications on this subject false?

Second.—If Mrs. Eddy did utilise drugs and the services of medical doctors, was her action consistent with her teaching and practice of Christian Science, or has she thereby justly forfeited the confidence of her followers and undermined the faith of Christian Scientists?

The facts recorded in this statement prove unmistakably that Mrs. Eddy did use drugs and consulted medical doctors on many occasions during a long period of years when she failed to get help through Christian Science.

The facts cannot be denied by any responsible Boston Church official. In following this course Mrs. Eddy acted in complete accord with the higher demands of her teaching.

Two of Mrs. Eddy's secretaries who served within the last ten years of her life have made written records of the facts in the form of letters and diaries. No fewer than six medical doctors served Mrs. Eddy on various occasions during that period, as did also at least four dentists who utilised for her the usual methods of their profession, including anaesthetics. Among prominent Boston Church members a few are still alive who helped to secure medical help for Mrs. Eddy, both at Concord and later at Chestnut Hill.

Temporary Medical Help.
Mrs. Eddy proved by her own example that every element of human faith and hope should be utilised to maintain health and life. She, therefore, wisely took advantage of the general faith of the world in the drugs rather than to die, and also thus quieted the pain that would have otherwise incapacitated her.

There were four or more doctors at Concord who provided Mrs. Eddy with medical care and assistance during the years of her residence at Pleasant View. These included Dr. E. Morrill, Dr. S. Morrill, Dr. Conn, and Dr. Stillings. Also the services of Dr. Libby, Dr. Fletcher and Dr. Rowe, dental surgeons, were utilised at various times.

Members of Mrs. Eddy's household and physicians who served her made records of the facts. The following is a typical example:—

"On Sunday night, May 3, 1903, Mrs. Eddy was suddenly attacked with severe pain at 11.30. The four Christian Scientists in the house proved unable to relieve her personal references omitted.)

She then sent for Dr. E. Morrill and he was 'out of town.' She then sent for Dr. S. Morrill; he was sick and could not come. She then sent for Dr. Conn and he remained with her from 2.15 until 4.30 Monday morning. But the pain was so intense and slow to respond that he called Dr. Stillings for consultation, who was here from 3 to 7. After Conn left Mrs. Eddy was a little relieved and at 5 o'clock she slept for about an hour. Every hour Monday morning she had paroxysms of pain. It was called renal calculi. She called Dr. E. Morrill and he gave her an hypodermic."

On Mrs. Eddy's memorable trip by special train from Concord, New Hampshire, to her new home at Chestnut Hill, Brookline, Massachusetts in January, 1908, she had in attendance throughout the journey Doctor Alpheus Morrill of Concord. After Mrs. Eddy's removal to Chestnut Hill she caused several Christian Scientists to be instructed in the art of administering morphine hypodermically. She also made a definite arrangement for this service with a local physician. Documentary evidence of his professional ministrations, including morphine injections, is in the possession of the publishers of this statement.

At least two of Mrs. Eddy's students who were members of her household, refused her requests for morphine on certain occasions. Perhaps one among the later of these experiences was on May 8, 1910. One of her students, who was present, writing on the following day said:—

"Mr. Adam H. Dickey last night told Mrs. Eddy that she shall not have any more morphine. She had for several days been suffering from (name and description of disease and symptoms omitted) and so having had hypodermic injections twice within a few days, he believed she did not need it, and would not allow her to have it."

Public denial of the facts by Mr. Tennant, the district manager in Great Britain of the "Committees on Publication" of the Boston organisation, and his assistants, compels the publication of the above evidence to prove that Mrs. Eddy's individual example entirely confirms the position of the Christian Science Parent Church in its interpretation and demonstration of legitimate Christian Science practice. Should "The Christian Science Board of Directors" in Boston make an official denial of the substantial accuracy of the facts above stated, upon receipt of definite evidence of such denial the undersigned will feel in duty bound to publish further facts.

Yours, etc.,
(Sgd.) A. A. Beauchamp.
J. V. Dittmore.
London, Sept. 12, 1928.
Fairplay II.

COUNT THE
"MAILS."
See Page 3.

MR. CARLOS CABRAL

DEATH OF LATE DEPUTY
COMMISSIONER, C.M.C.

AT LISBON.

From Lisbon a private telegram has been received at Hong Kong via Macao of the death of Mr. Carlos Cabral, deputy Commissioner of the Chinese Maritime Customs, while on home leave in Lisbon. It was known that the late Mr. Cabral had been in indifferent health for some time; but his many friends at Hong Kong and Macao had hoped that a change of scene and the bracing climate of Southern Portugal would restore their friend to his once robust health. Providence willed it otherwise and the Portuguese communities in the sister colonies and throughout China to-day mourn the loss of a genuine friend, a perfect gentleman in the truest sense of the word, and an upright man incapable of a single mean act betraying his honesty and uprightness.

Early Career

Born at Macao about fifty years ago, the late Mr. Cabral's father held a high and trusted position in the Government of the colony. He came out from Lisbon as the colonial treasurer and, in conjunction with that office, was appointed to the chair of Latin and mathematics in the Macao Lyceum. Mr. Cabral, son, was married at Macao and had a large family of boys and girls. Two of the former (including the deceased) were educated in Portugal, and in Lisbon the only surviving son, Dr. Fernando Cabral, holds a high and distinguished position in the medical profession.

After the completion of his studies in Portugal, the late Mr. Carlos Cabral returned to Macao and joined the Chinese Maritime Customs service at Lappa. In 1905 he married Miss Anita Garcia, daughter of the late General and Mrs. Garcia, by whom he had a family of four boys and three girls. From Macao Mr. Cabral was successively transferred to Hong Kong, Shanghai, Peking, Chingwangtao and Pukhoi, and it was while at Hong Kong on sick leave last April that he received the substantial appointment of Deputy Commissioner.

At Pukhoi

The strain and stress of an arduous and difficult time at Pukhoi where he acted as Commissioner aggravated an illness from which he had begun to suffer before he was actually transferred to that post from Macao. It was at Pukhoi that Mr. Cabral rendered distinguished service in the interest of the Chinese Maritime Customs and of the Chinese merchants there. His Communist ascendancy was at its height at Pukhoi when Mr. Cabral arrived to take up his duties there, culminating in the "Red" vandalism of the desecration of the foreigners' graves in the Protestant and Catholic cemeteries. The agitators sought to levy all manner of illegal exactions. It was then that Mr. Cabral showed the Communist elements that they counted without their host and ranged himself on the side of justice and the Chinese merchants, whose appreciation and gratitude Mr. Cabral earned for freeing them from the tyranny of the Bolsheviks. Before his departure from Pukhoi Mr. Cabral was presented with an honorable scroll by the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce who made a great demonstration of goodwill and appreciation on the actual day of his departure.

His Last Illness

When he left Pukhoi on long sick leave, the late Mr. Cabral was already a very sick man, so much so that when his most intimate friends met him on board the s.s. "Tenn" on his arrival at Hong Kong they felt alarmed at his condition. From the ship he was immediately transferred to the Kowloon Hospital where, after a course of treatment of over a month, he rallied slightly and was medically advised to proceed at once to Portugal. With his wife and three daughters, he left by the M.M. str. "Chononeus" early in May last for Lisbon via Marseilles. There was a whole host of friends on board the French mail steamer to bid good-bye to Mr. Cabral and his family, including His Excellency the Governor of Macao, Senhor Tunng-nhi Barbosa, of whom Mr. Cabral was a staunch friend since boyhood. It was, alas, the last farewell that was said on that occasion.

In Portugal

Mr. Cabral looked forward to a happy reunion with his four boys in Lisbon where they were pursuing a distinguished scholastic career having completed the Lyceum course with distinction, his eldest son, topping the list in the final exams, in 1927. Soon after his arrival in Lisbon, he placed himself under treatment of his younger brother, Dr. Fernando Cabral, who is a physician of distinction in the Portuguese capital. For a time his condition improved, but received a setback on the death of his sister, the late Mrs. Carvalho, widow of Mr. C. F. Carvalho, of the Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank. From that time onward his condition worsened until the sad news was received at Macao by telegram, on Sunday, that Carlos Cabral had peacefully passed away to the great sorrow of his family and his numerous friends in Hong Kong and Macao and throughout China. With his widow and family sincere sympathy will be felt in their poignant grief. As soon as the news was received in Hong Kong the flag at the Club

POLICE RESERVE

LATEST ORDERS BY THE
C.S.P.

TRAINING SCHOOL

The weekly classes for Police Reservists at the Police Training School, Kowloon, will be held as usual on Tuesday, October 23 and 30 at 6 p.m. sharp.

Squad Drill

All recruits of the Chinese and Indian Companies, and of the Flying Squad will parade at Central Police Station on Thursday, October 25 at 5.30 p.m. sharp for Squad Drill under Sergeant Condon. Dress: Mufti.

Chinese Company

Strength.—Constable R96 Edwin Howgun has been taken on the strength of the Chinese Company as from October 18. Constable R30 Ma Wing-wa is permitted to resign on leaving the Colony and upon completing one full year's service with effect from October 16.

Parade.—All advanced men of the Chinese Company will parade at the Central Police Station on Thursday, October 25 at 5.30 p.m. sharp for Rifle Exercises, Extended Order and Baton Drill under Sergeant R. J. Hunt. Dress: Mufti; Rifle, Belt, Sidearms, and Truncheon to be carried.

Revolver Practice.—All advanced men of the Chinese Company (those who have passed Part 2 of Training Course) will attend at the Kennedy-road Range on Sunday, October 28 for revolver practice under Inspector Booker. Firing will commence at 9.00 a.m. sharp. Dress: Mufti; those in possession of private revolvers may bring them.

Signalling Squad.—Twelve members of the Chinese Company to be detailed by the Company Commander will attend a class for instruction in Signalling under Mr. R. C. Wilson, to be held at the Company's Headquarters on Thursday, October 25, at 6.45 p.m. sharp.

Indian Company

Strength.—Constable R220 Kandhara Singh has been taken on the strength of the Indian Company as from October 15.

Parade.—All ranks of the Indian Company are reminded of the parade to be held at Central Police Station on Tuesday, October 23 at 5.30 p.m. sharp; for details, see last week's orders.

Flying Squad

The weekly instructional patrol of the Kowloon Section will take place on Tuesday, October 23. Fall in at the Tsim-tai-tai Fire Brigade Station at 5.30 p.m. sharp. Dress: Khaki Uniform.

The weekly instructional patrol of the Hong Kong Section will take place on Thursday, October 25. Fall in at the Central Police Station at 5.15 p.m. sharp. Dress: Khaki Uniform.

Revolver Practice.—Those members of the Flying Squad who have passed Part 2 of Training Course will attend at the Kennedy-road Range for revolver practice (advanced course) under Inspector Booker on Sunday, October 28 at 11.00 a.m. sharp. Dress: Uniform or Mufti optional.

Sharpshooters

Night Firing Practice.—Members are reminded that night revolver practice will be carried out at Kennedy-road Range on Wednesday, October 24 at 9.00 p.m.; they will assemble at the range at that hour with revolvers and belts. (Sgd.) W. KENT, A.S.P., Adjutant.

Hong Kong, October 23.

FOKI ARRESTED

\$3,000 MISSING MONEY
FOUND

In connection with an alleged embezzlement, reported to the police on October 9, when a young Chinese was reported to have absconded with \$3,000, the property of the Kwong Sing Cheung "marine hawker's store, No. 30, Gilman Bazaar, this morning's police reports state that the money has been recovered in Canton. The foki (Ip Kwan) was arrested by the Canton police but was subsequently released.

Lusitano was flown at half-mast out of respect for the memory of the deceased.

"A Good Man and a Just"

Of high intellectual attainments, the late Mr. Cabral was an accomplished linguist. Besides his own language he wrote and spoke fluently English, French and Chinese. For his valuable services to the Portuguese Government and communities in China Mr. Cabral was made a Knight Commander of the Most Excellent Order of Christ. His memory will be long cherished by his friends of all nationalities as a man who never spared himself for any friend, and on whose loyalty and sincerity they could implicitly trust. Indeed, it would not be easy to arrive at a fair estimate of his real worth. The nearest approach in this summing up of a character exceptional in many respects would be to say that he was a good man and a just.

"IT"

RETURN OF POPULAR
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The excellent double programme which was recently screened at the Queen's Theatre will be shown again to-day by popular request. "It," Elinor Glyn's lively story of an English shopgirl who is gifted with a certain magnetic quality which makes her irresistible to members of the other sex, is a most unusual picture. Clara Bow, a vivacious young player, takes the leading part and receives splendid support from Antonio Moreno. Charlie Chaplin's great classic comedy will also be screened at all performances which commence promptly at the times advertised in an advertisement in this issue.

COLONY'S HEALTH

NOTIFIABLE DISEASE LAST
WEEK

SMALL-POX DEATHS

Last week's return of notifiable disease in the Colony, according to reports to the Medical Officer of Health, was as follows:—

Small-pox: 6 cases from Kowloon—total 6, (all Chinese) 1 death during the week.

Diphtheria: 1 British case from Kowloon—total 1.

Enteric fever (typhoid): 2 Chinese cases from the city—total 2.

Paratyphoid fever:—1 Chinese case from Kowloon—total 1.

Cerebro-spinal fever:—1 Chinese case from Kowloon—total 1.

Influenza (not notifiable):—1 death during the week.

TRAFFIC CASES

SEVERAL EUROPEANS AND
CHINESE FINED

A number of motor car owners were this morning summoned before Major C. Wilson, O.B.E., for failing to renew their car licences, and were fined \$5 each. The defendants included, Mr. B. Pasco, of Brewer's Bookshop, Mr. M. A. Xavier, architect of No. 2, Queen's Road, Mr. E. D. Shank, of the Hong Kong Engineering, Construction and Filling Co., Mr. Langston, of the Nestle and Anglo-Swiss Condensed Milk Co., Mr. R. Gordon, of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd.; Mr. Joseph Gould, broker, and the following Chinese, Messrs. H. S. Yeung, Cheng Fat of Messrs. Yee Sang Fat, E. S. Kong, and F. C. Tang.

Mr. K. Woo, owner of private motor car No. 1748, was summoned by Sergeant McInnes for obstruction in Queen's Road Central. According to the Sergeant, the car was stationary at the corner of Pottinger Street at 3 p.m., and he told the defendant to move on. When he (the Sergeant) returned at 3.30, the car was still there and the defendant said that he was waiting for his daughter.

Mr. Woo said that when the Sergeant came, the engine of his car was running and he was quite prepared to move.

Dangerous Driving

The driver of motor lorry No. 368 was summoned by Sergeant Baker for dangerous driving at 9.15 a.m. on October 13. The Sergeant said defendant did between 25 and 30 miles per hour from No. 2 Police Station to Duddell Street, in town. The speed limit for a lorry was 15 m.p.h.

When the Magistrate was told that the defendant had been driving for nearly seven years and had not been fined before, he remarked that he thought it was a pity that the defendant should spoil his record. Fined \$10.

Sub-inspector Hopkin summoned the drivers of motor cars Nos. 238, 420 and 554 for dangerous driving in Aberdeen at 5.30 p.m. on October 12.

The driver of car No. 298 did not appear and the case against him was adjourned. The other two pleaded "guilty."

The Inspector told the Magistrate that the offences occurred on the Main Road at Aberdeen, the three cars racing together at 25 miles per hour on the straight stretch of road just before reaching the dilly. This was the spot where a serious accident occurred recently.

The two defendants were fined \$15 each.

Inspector Alexander summoned the driver of public motor car No. 434 for dangerous driving in Morrison Gap Road at 11.05 a.m. on October 10. The defendant who pleaded "guilty" was stated to have done 30 miles per hour going up the hill from the Monument. Fined \$15.

Knocked down by a tram car in Connaught-road West, a rice-boller was yesterday removed to the Government Civil Hospital with two fractured ribs.



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THE LASSIES

The "China Mail" on July 21 last published a poem by a reader addressed "To The Lassies." A reader of the "Overland China Mail," Mr. A. R. Anderson, who lives at Kilmarnock, forwards the following reply:—

"The wisest man the world e'er saw
He dearly loved the lassies o'—
—Burns.

"Maybe he did, but no them o'
He treated some like asses o'—"

I think were Rabble here to-day,
About the lassies he wad say,
They're just whitt auld Jean
McRae
Was lang, lang syne.

And she was like the common run
O' lassies out for sport and fun,
E'en though some are at times
O'er-done,
Or out o' line.

Just as they were in auld Jean's
time,
When dresses trailed in glaur
and grime,
And whether they may upward
climb,
Or downward glide,
It's no the dress be't short or
lang,
Nor hoo it on the form may hang.

"Feth" no, it matters nae a
sang,
Sae lang's there's pride.

O' character, and will tale do,
That which is noble, kind, and
true,
Nor weel shared calf, that
pleases you,
And rounded knee.
Ane't the Monday's show o'
legs,
O' Lizzies, Mary's, Kate's and
Meg's,
I think some o' the ham, and
eggs,
For you and me.

"Wad" please the e'e, and till
the wathie.

Better far than playin' the game,
O' watchin' legs o' maid or dame,
Each passin' week,
I quite agree they're smart and
neat,
Frae bobbed tresses tae the
feet,
And were Rab here and them
could meet,
He ne'er wad seek.

Tae find fault wi' their silken hose,
Their painted cheeks, or powder-
ed nose,
Their marcel waves and guid-
ness knows
Whit ther things,
I'm quite convinced that he wad
say

They're just as sweet in ev'ry
way,
As whit they were in his young
day,
Although, by Jingo.

Some then, as weel as noo, were
soor,
Unattractive, surly, and sour,
And might be gie and hard tae
lure
In paths o' light.

But tak the lassies in the main,
They're sweet, and gentle, douce,
and blain,
Though I admit that some are
vain,
Which is the right.

If Grannies should at sixty-three,
Year airts below or hune the
knee,
Weel, whitt odds is't tae you or
me,

Pray tell me that,
Then, in ev'ry toon and city,
On dressmakers ye tak' pity,
Gie a' ye mair, be or witty,
Aneath yer hat.

Ye say the game's no worth a
docken,
Shairly there ye hae been jokin',
If no then 'ts gie provokin'.
Tae miss a line,
Gin' ye wad only change yer
mind,
The Lord tae ye then might be
kind,
And gie a helpin' haun the find
In rain or shine.

A better job than watchin'
shanks
O' lassies wha'd ne'er gie ye
thanks,
"Na, na, na, na, na, na, na, na,
pranks,
As lang's ye leeve.

But why did ye no sign yer name,
Was it 'cause ye thought burnin'
shame,
Tae let folk ken ye play the game
That mak's folk gie grieve.

Noo I am neither young nor auld
Nor is my haid yet turnin' bald
But memories hae been recalled
O' by-gone days
When lassies wore the Grecian
ban,
If they're lo'd noo, they were
lo'd then
And will while there are leevin'
men
On earth's high-ways.

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the Antipodes.

Mr. Moisewitsch's two recitals
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take on the 24th and 27th of the
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THE N.C.C.

**DELEGATES IN FOUR
GROUPS
MESSAGE TO GOVT.**

Shanghai, Oct. 15.
On Friday afternoon and all of Saturday the delegates to the sixth Annual Meeting of the National Christian Council were divided into four groups, each group spending its time on one of the major problems now challenging the Christian Movement in China. The findings of these four groups provided the topics for discussion and action on Monday. On Sunday night a well-attended mass meeting was held in Martyrs' Memorial Hall. Dr. T. T. Lew of Yenching University, Peking, gave an address on "The Message of the Christian Church to the Chinese People of To-day." Dr. T. C. Bau, who is connected with the work of the Northern Baptist Mission, spoke on "The Responsibility of the Chinese Christian Church in the Reconstruction of China."

The first subject up for discussion on Monday was that of Co-operation and Unity. Special reference was made to the declaration of the International Missionary Council at Jerusalem, that the older churches do not desire to impose beliefs and practices on the younger churches and recognise the urgent necessity of eliminating the denominational complexities of the missionary enterprise. The conference accepted with appreciation these principles and decided to pass them on to the churches in China for careful consideration and study.

Mutual Recognition
Practical steps for the furthering of this co-operation and unity were suggested. Among these was the mutual recognition, by one church of the members of other churches, the fostering of mutual acquaintance between members of different churches and the recommendation of regional co-operation and federation between the churches in China.

The findings from which the above is taken made appreciative reference also to the church-centric conception of Christian work in China and the correlated fact that the functions of the mission are being revised in accordance therewith. While, however, it was recognised that this new conception of the relation of the mission to the church has been steadily gaining ground, further steps are needed to make it effective everywhere. In this connection it was also recommended that the National Christian Council co-operate with the International Missionary Council in a thorough scientific study of the basis of self-support in China.

A Declaration
The next group that reported centred its findings in "The Relation of the Church to the Nation." It was decided to send a special cablegram to the Nationalist Government and a special committee was appointed to draft it. Considerable interest was manifested in the draft of a declaration dealing with the relation of the Church to the nation. This was finally accepted.

This declaration urged that the permanence, prosperity and reconstruction of China's national life rest on moral principles which are themselves ultimately rooted in religion. These moral principles were summarised in love to God and man. In this declaration the Council voiced its expectation that in addition to its other efforts the Nationalist Government would make special efforts to uphold religious liberty, promote moral education and eliminate military warfare.

Facts About China
The declaration urged further attention to the creation of a healthy public opinion, the support of the government policies of social reform, such as the anti-narcotic and anti-prostitution campaign and the improvement of living conditions for farmers and labourers. It also urged Christians of other lands to spread abroad the real facts about China, support a just and fair policy in dealing with China, and practically co-operate in China's task of reconstruction. The declaration concluded with an expression of the hearty sympathy of the missionaries of the Council with its spirit and purpose.

It was also decided that the N. C. C. should appoint a standing committee to study the problem of religious liberty in China and stand ready to take steps to preserve or promote it, if and when such are needed.

The declaration referred to above concluded with this paragraph:—"We, as citizens of China, in this transitional period, have to bear the burden of suffering and also to enter into the opportunities of reconstruction. It is our fervent hope that the Christian forces of China will not lose the present rare opportunity to support the government in all good works in the fearless spirit of Christ. May the government also in all its dealings with the people be sincere and frank, guiding them with patience in the right way. May the people on their part love the nation with their whole heart, seeking righteousness above all things and working together for overcoming every difficulty and solving every problem. Thus may the life of the new China be founded on enduring foundations."

It is interesting to note how the influence of both the Jerusalem Meeting of the International Missionary Council and the Lausanne Conference on Christian Unity permeate the thinking of this meeting of the National Christian Council. Frequent reference is made to the findings of both these previous conferences. It is quite evident that much of the thinking of the delegates of the National Christian Council is based on the previous thinking of these worldwide Christian gatherings. All of which goes to show that this meeting of the National Christian Council is thinking in terms of universal Christian relationships as well as of those of relations to China and her nationalistic aspirations and reconstructive efforts.

The Christian Movement in China is, therefore, at one and the same time, imbued and stimulated by Christian nationalism and Christian internationalism.

HOT AND COLD

TEMPERATURE HIGHER LAST MONTH

LOCAL READINGS

Last month's temperature was generally higher than the average, the highest being 91.1 degrees on the 13th and the lowest 72 degrees on the 30th.

The relative percentage of humidity was below average, 75 as against 77, but there was more "cloudiness," 65 per cent. as against 59. There were 199.7 hours of sunshine (against an average of 201.7 for the month), the most on any one day being 11.8 hours on the 3rd. No sunshine was registered on three days, the 22nd, 29th and 30th.

At the Royal Observatory, rain was registered on 11 days, but never more than one inch a day. The total of 3.915 inches is much below the average of 9.822 inches for September. Comparative rainfall statistics were as follows:—

Days.	Inches.
Observatory	11 3.915
Botanical Gardens ..	11 6.34
Matilda Hospital (Mount Kellott) ..	11 7.50
Taipei Police station (N.T.)	10 3.50

The lowest reading of the barometer at mean sea-level was 29.558 inches at 4 p.m. on the 18th.

The maximum squall velocity, as recorded by the Dines-Baxendell anemograph, was at the rate of 45 miles per hour at 5.08 p.m. on the 22nd.

FIRE BRIGADE BUSY

Several small fires broke out on both sides of the harbour last evening and the fire brigades turned out. The first call was in Kowloon at a house in Samchun-street. Little damage was done. Soon afterwards another fire broke out in a small cottage in Sha Po, Kowloon City.

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TO-MORROW'S LEAGUE FIXTURES

A POSTPONEMENT

The matches arranged for to-morrow with officials are as follows:

The 1st Division match between 2nd K.O.S.B. Regt. and R.A. has been postponed.

Mid-week League. Kick off 4.45 p.m.:

South China v. Chinese, Caroline Hill. Referee: Pte. Farnsworth.

Lam Long Wan v. Police, Chinese Ground, H.V. Referee: B.Q.M.S. Hutchins.

Hung Kui School v. Ewo Chinese, St. Joseph's. Referee: Mr. Ip Kau-ko.

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TABLES SHOW INTERESTING SITUATIONS

RANGERS' GOOD LEAD

Division I.	Goals.
P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.	
Blackburn	12 7 2 3 25 18 16
Derby	11 6 2 3 23 13 14
Leeds	10 6 2 2 28 21 14
Wednesday	11 5 2 3 21 18 13
Leicester	11 5 3 3 23 19 13
Everton	11 5 3 3 23 19 13
Manchester C.	11 5 3 3 23 19 13
West Ham	12 5 3 4 27 25 13
Burnley	12 5 3 4 27 25 13
Liverpool	11 4 3 4 22 18 11
M'chester U.	10 3 3 5 20 15 11
Huddersfield	11 4 2 5 24 22 10
Sunderland	11 4 2 5 24 22 10
Aston Villa	10 4 2 4 21 21 10
Birmingham	11 4 2 5 18 20 10
Portsmouth	11 5 0 6 14 27 10
Cardiff	11 3 3 5 19 14 9
Arsenal	11 3 2 6 15 19 8
Bolton	11 3 2 6 16 23 8
Sheffield U.	11 4 1 7 16 28 8
Newcastle	12 3 2 7 15 31 8
Bury	10 3 0 7 10 27 6

Division II.	Goals.
P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.	
Chelsea	11 7 2 2 18 8 10
Notts. Cnty.	11 6 2 3 18 13 10
Hull	12 6 4 2 18 13 10
Preston N.E.	11 6 2 3 20 10 14
Southampton	11 5 4 2 18 12 14
Middlesbrough	11 6 2 3 28 20 14
Stoke	11 6 1 4 24 12 13
Notts. Forest	11 6 3 2 24 22 13
Barnsley	11 5 3 3 24 22 13
Wolves	11 6 2 3 24 19 12
Tottenham	10 5 1 4 20 20 11
West Brom.	11 5 1 5 20 20 11
Grimsby	10 4 2 4 20 15 10
Port Vale	11 5 0 6 21 23 10
Bradford	11 5 0 6 21 23 10
Millwall	11 5 0 6 21 23 10
Clapton	11 3 3 5 18 23 9
Blackpool	11 3 2 6 18 25 8
Swansea	11 2 3 6 18 33 7
Bristol C.	11 1 4 6 14 23 6
Reading	11 2 1 8 11 26 5
Oldham	11 2 0 9 9 23 4

Division III (South).	Goals.
P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.	
Luton	11 7 3 1 20 15 17
Plymouth	12 6 3 3 24 15 15
Queen's P.R.	11 5 5 1 16 12 15
Swindon	12 6 2 4 22 19 14
Fulham	11 5 3 3 18 13 13
Coventry	11 4 5 2 17 10 13
Northampton	12 4 5 3 22 18 13
Southend	11 4 5 2 19 17 13
Brentford	11 4 4 3 14 12 12
Charlton	10 5 2 3 10 17 12
Crystal Pal.	11 5 2 4 10 16 12
Torquay	11 5 2 4 10 16 12
Bournemouth	11 4 3 4 13 16 11
Watford	11 5 1 5 17 22 11
Walsall	11 4 2 5 17 24 10
Bristol R.	11 4 1 6 16 19 9
Newport	11 2 5 4 17 20 9
Exeter	11 3 2 6 17 20 8
Merthyr	11 3 2 6 17 20 8
Norwich	11 3 1 7 15 20 7
Brighton	11 2 3 6 13 21 7
Gillingham	11 1 2 8 8 22 4

Division III (North).	Goals.
P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.	
Wrexham	11 7 3 1 20 15 17
Carlisle	12 6 3 3 24 15 15
Lincoln	12 6 2 4 22 19 14
Stockport	11 6 3 2 34 16 15
Bradford C.	11 6 2 3 37 17 14
Wigan	11 6 2 3 35 17 14
South Shields	10 5 2 3 21 11 12
Doncaster	11 5 2 4 20 18 12
Hull City	11 5 2 4 20 18 12
Sheff. Wed.	11 4 2 5 19 17 11
Sheff. U.	11 4 2 5 19 17 11
Sheff. F.	11 4 2 5 19 17 11
Rotherham	11 4 2 5 19 17 11
Crewe	10 3 3 4 15 18 10
Darlington	12 3 3 6 20 25 9
Tranmere	11 4 1 6 15 21 9
Nelson	12 3 1 8 12 27 8
Ashington	12 4 1 7 17 32 9
Barrow	11 2 4 5 18 28 8
Hartlepool	11 2 4 5 10 27 8
Southport	11 3 1 7 17 25 7
Accrington	10 2 2 6 12 22 6

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LOCAL PRICES

HAYTOR LIST ON THE CAMBRIDGESHIRE

TWO AT TENS

Following are Frank Haytor's prices on the Cambridgeshire, to be run at Newmarket on October 31—any amount, no ways barred:—

20-1	Abbot's Spd
18-1	Fohanaun
25-1	Buland
25-1	Knight of Grail
33-1	Lone Night
10-1	Pondicherry
10-1	Gandy Warily
12-1	Sunny Trace
20-1	Vanoe
20-1	Insight II
18-1	Sea Craig
15-1	Syntony
18-1	Dellus
100-8	Orbindes
100-6	Accalmie
25-1	Mara
25-1	Fancy Free
100-8	Polly Flinders
15-1	Palais Royal II
100-8	Grotesque
33-1	Silverstead
40-1	Pictoralas
25-1	Parwiz

HARBOUR RACES

LADIES EVENT THIS AFTERNOON

MANY ENTRIES

The Victoria Recreation Club's harbour race for ladies takes place this afternoon, whilst the open event is fixed for to-morrow. As already stated, the Club's Chinese harbour race, arranged for yesterday, was cancelled on account of there being insufficient entries. It is understood that the V.R.C. will hand over the Challenge cup for this event to the Chinese Bathing Club, who will be asked to handle the event themselves in future.

Entries for the other two V.R.C. harbour races have been encouraging. Among the competitors for to-day's ladies' event are the Misses P. and D. Hunt, who have swum the harbour ever since they were in their early teens, and Miss M. George who is a promising young swimmer and had shown consistent good form over short distances this year. In addition there will be two Chinese ladies, Miss Chan Yeuk-fai and Miss Kwok Choi-ming.

Competitors for to-morrow's open event make up a long list. The veteran C. J. Cooke, who won the event last year, has entered again and will have for his rivals a big "field" of other prominent swimmers, including Rosa Pereira, Edr. Norris, Chan Chan-hing who won the Chinese Club's harbour race this year, the Yeung brothers and Leung Sui-man.

Both to-day and to-morrow, the official launch bearing the competitors, judges and time-keepers will leave the V.R.C. at 5 p.m. sharp.

Scottish League.

P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.	
Rangers	10 9 2 0 38 10 19
Aberdeen	12 9 0 3 26 17 18
Motherwell	11 7 3 1 22 16 17
Hearts	11 6 3 2 33 16 15
St. Mirren	11 6 3 2 24 22 15
Third Lanark	11 5 3 3 28 22 13
Hibernians	11 5 3 3 18 17 13
Falkirk	11 5 2 4 20 22 12
Partick T.	10 5 2 3 24 20 12
Celtic	9 5 2 2 16 12 12
Ayr	12 4 2 6 22 28 10
St. Johnstone	11 4 2 5 16 28 10
Queen's Park	10 4 1 5 24 17 9
Hamilton	11 4 1 6 15 30 9
Dundee	11 3 0 8 22 33 9
Kilmarnock	12 3 0 9 20 22 9
Falkirk	11 3 0 8 23 30 9
Clyde	11 2 0 9 14 34 8
Airdrie	12 2 2 8 12 28 6
Cowdenbeath	11 2 1 8 12 21 5
Rath R.	12 2 1 9 18 35 5

BOXING

FINE CARD STAGED AT SHANGHAI

SACRAMENTO BEATEN

Shanghai, Oct. 19: The feature ten round fight at the Town Hall last night between Joe Hall of Buffalo and Joe Sacramento, Manila, was won by Hall on a judge's decision. The fight went the full distance and no knockdowns were scored.

Hall revealed a ring generalship that was well respected by his opponent and Sacramento's famous right hand had little opportunity to land on the dusky battler. Both boys were willing but a little too cautious, and the fight from the spectator's standpoint was far inferior to the one that preceded it.

Sacramento gave a 6-lb. handicap and the heavier man forced the milling from the fourth round until the gong. The opening round was



Here's how Herb Pennock of the New York Yankees spends his day off—baking the old G.100,000 soupbone under the rays of the diathermic lamp.

devoted by each boxer to a feeling out process and the honours were fairly even. There were few exchanges.

The second was largely a repetition of the first with Sacramento working on his opponent's middle, but seemingly to no avail. Sacramento led the fighting in the third and Hall devoted the round to a watchful waiting policy though both boys had lost their early caution. Hall revealed himself as a crafty ring master in the fourth and had Sacramento holding on from several rights to the stomach.

Two Straight Lefts
A faster pace began with the following round, and he found Sacramento's jaw with two straight lefts though he found the lighter boy hard to reach. Sacramento tried unsuccessfully to bring his well-regarded right into action and Hall had little difficulty in keeping out of danger.

The sixth round was easily Hall's, largely on his excellent footwork. Sacramento tried different tactics with the seventh and carried the fight to his opponent in a manner that well pleased the coloured boy. Hall was easily the master of the infighting in this round and the decision was little in doubt.

In the next round Hall had Sacramento backing all over the ring but when he did come in he was met with a flurry of gloves that he caught largely on his shoulders and little damage was inflicted. Hall continued stalking Sacramento in the ninth like a black panther and his opponent wisely

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"MAILS."

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SPEY CUP BOWLS

EAST POINT R.C. DEFEAT YACHT CLUB

WINNERS IN SEMI-FINAL

East Point Recreation Club are in the semi-final of the Spey Royal Cup lawn bowls tournament, defeating Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club yesterday.

On Monday of last week, East Point led by 20 shots to 16 at the 18th head when darkness intervened. The match was continued yesterday. The winners scored 5 shots at the 19th head and the losers a single at the 20th and 21st, making the final score 25 to 18. East Point were lying two on the last head but A. L. Shields and G. R. Edwards put in good work. The teams were:—

East Point R.C.:—A. F. Paul, H. F. Akehurst, H. Hampton, G. M. Shaw (skip).
R.H.K.Y.C.:—L. J. Davies, J. L. Shellshear, A. L. Shields, G. R. Edwards (skip).

The winners meet Craigengower Cricket Club (the league 1. champions) in the semi-final at 3 p.m. on Saturday at the Kowloon Cricket Club rink for the right of playing Civil Service Cricket Club in the final.

kept backing away. Though he was on the receiving end for practically the entire round he gave Hall little in the way of an opportunity to reach his jaw.

The last round was Hall's though Sacramento made several flashes that had they connected would have brought a different ending to the affair. A right swing to Sacramento's jaw had him holding on as the bell sounded, and the decision was well-received.

Hall revealed himself as an excellent sportsman and the fight was free of any attempts at fouling. Though he won he did not seemingly extend himself and the impression went around that he was much better than he cared to show.

The eight round special event between Frank De Vera, Manila, and Sergt. Aguzzi, of the Northamptonshire Regiment, brought together two very fast boxers and was one of the best bouts seen at the Town Hall for many a long day. In the opening rounds Aguzzi forced the fighting, and had De Vera groggy in the six and seventh rounds, but the Manila boxer lasted the distance, though the verdict went to Aguzzi.

Cpl King
The six round preliminary between Driver Lees, R.A.S.C., and Danny O'Leary, U.S.S. "Pittsburg," was won by the former on a judge's decision. The fight was taken in the last round when Lees started a vigorous rally that O'Leary could not equal. Both boxers were willing.

An uninteresting curtain raiser between Young Marcos of Manila and Driver Groom, R.A.S.C., was declared a draw, after six rounds of indifferent fighting.

Young Gonzalo of Manila fought Cpl. King, H.M.S. "Castor," in the semi-final in place of the cancelled Kid Andre, Jack Lewman bout. The fight went the full distance and was declared a draw.

Gonzalo put his opponent down four times in the second round, and once in the third, but in the latter King scored a sensational rally and more than made up his score. The fourth was a round of indifferent fighting with Gonzalo trying to finish the méele and King holding him off. In the fifth Gonzalo again scored a knock-down and King looked in a bad way.

However, he could not be forced to the canvas to stay, and again in the sixth came out of what looked a sure knockout, and had Gonzalo holding on. Neither could score decisively in the closing rounds and both were bleeding profusely. King was warned several times for back hand punching early in the fight and Gonzalo could not make the most of his opportunities. King's recuperative powers were such as to make the fight easily the best of the evening and at the conclusion both boys were roundly cheered for the excellent exhibition.—N.C. Daily News.

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Messrs. A. A. Dand; A. C. Howell; W. Woodward; D. Lyon; E. E. G. Munn; W. H. Smith; P. Sands; and Dr. F. R. Ashton.

Referees: Mrs. Andrews and Mr. F. Allen.

By three goals to nil, Hong Kong Hockey Club 2nd XI, defeated the Y.M.C.A. at King's Park yesterday in an interesting hockey match. The Rev. Noel Evans, L.H.C. Calthrop and L.A.R. Duncan scored for the Club.

King's Park and not the U.S.R.C. ground at Kowloon (as at first announced) is the venue of to-morrow's hockey match between the Hong Kong Hockey Club 1st XI, and the 1st Batt. Queen's Royal Regiment.

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WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES.

Stole a March on Their Friends.



The secret's out. Jascha Heifetz, the noted violinist, and Florence Vidor, screen actress, were united in marriage some weeks ago. After a brief visit to friends in New York, the happy couple departed for Hollywood on their honeymoon. The bridegroom only returned recently from a triumphant tour of European capitals, the magnet, in all probability, being the charming girl in the oval above.

Motor-Boat Racer



Miss M. B. Carstairs, foremost English woman motorboat racer, who competed for the Duke of York's cup at Detroit, Mich. She was the only Briton who went over for the speed classic.

Two Portias in a Murder Trial.



Woman opposed woman in the legal battle incident to the trial of Leo P. Kelly, a handsome butcher's boy, for the murder of Mrs. Myrtle Mellus. Left, Orfa Jean Shonta, associate defence attorney, and Florence M. Woodhead, deputy district attorney.

Novelist And His Bride.



Sinclair Lewis, the novelist, and his bride, the former Dorothy Parker, photographed aboard the s.s. "Hamburg" upon their arrival from a motor caravan honeymoon on the Continent. The author and his bride expect to return to Europe after viewing the play version of one of his novels.

Thousands Attend Pianist's Wedding.



Here's a flashlight taken of Percy Grainger, noted concert pianist and composer, with his bride, the former Ella Strum, painter and poet, as they were wedded in the presence of a record throng at the Hollywood, Calif., Bowl.

Creator of "Jiggs" Meets "Helen."



George Jessel, famous creator of "Jiggs" and "Helen", is here shown congratulating Helen Willa following her victory in straight sets in the U.S. women's tennis championship over Helen Jacobs.

Told Harrowing Tale.



A thrilling story of having been kidnapped from her home in Detroit, was told to Los Angeles police by Elizabeth Duthie, 13, above, who said she was brought across country by a man who mistreated her and finally abandoned her in a railway station. Money belonging to her parents was also taken from her.

Injured in Crash.



Mrs. Josef Hofmann, bride of the famous pianist, who was hurt when a sightseeing bus rolled down an embankment in Spain. Her injuries were pronounced painful but not serious.

Murdered.



This excellent sketch shows Mrs. Myrtle Mellus who was brutally murdered in her home at Los Angeles. Leo P. Kelly, who was found in the house by the police, is being tried for the crime.

Stage Personality In Business.



Ganna Walska (left), in private life the wife of Harold F. McCormick, an American multi-millionaire, wanted to be "independent" and went in for trade. She's shown in the above picture waiting on one of her fashionable customers at her shop in Paris.

Booked for a Life Tour!



Bert Wheeler, musical comedy star, and his bride, formerly Miss Bernice Spear, also of the stage. They were married in California last April while visiting Harold Lloyd, the comedian.

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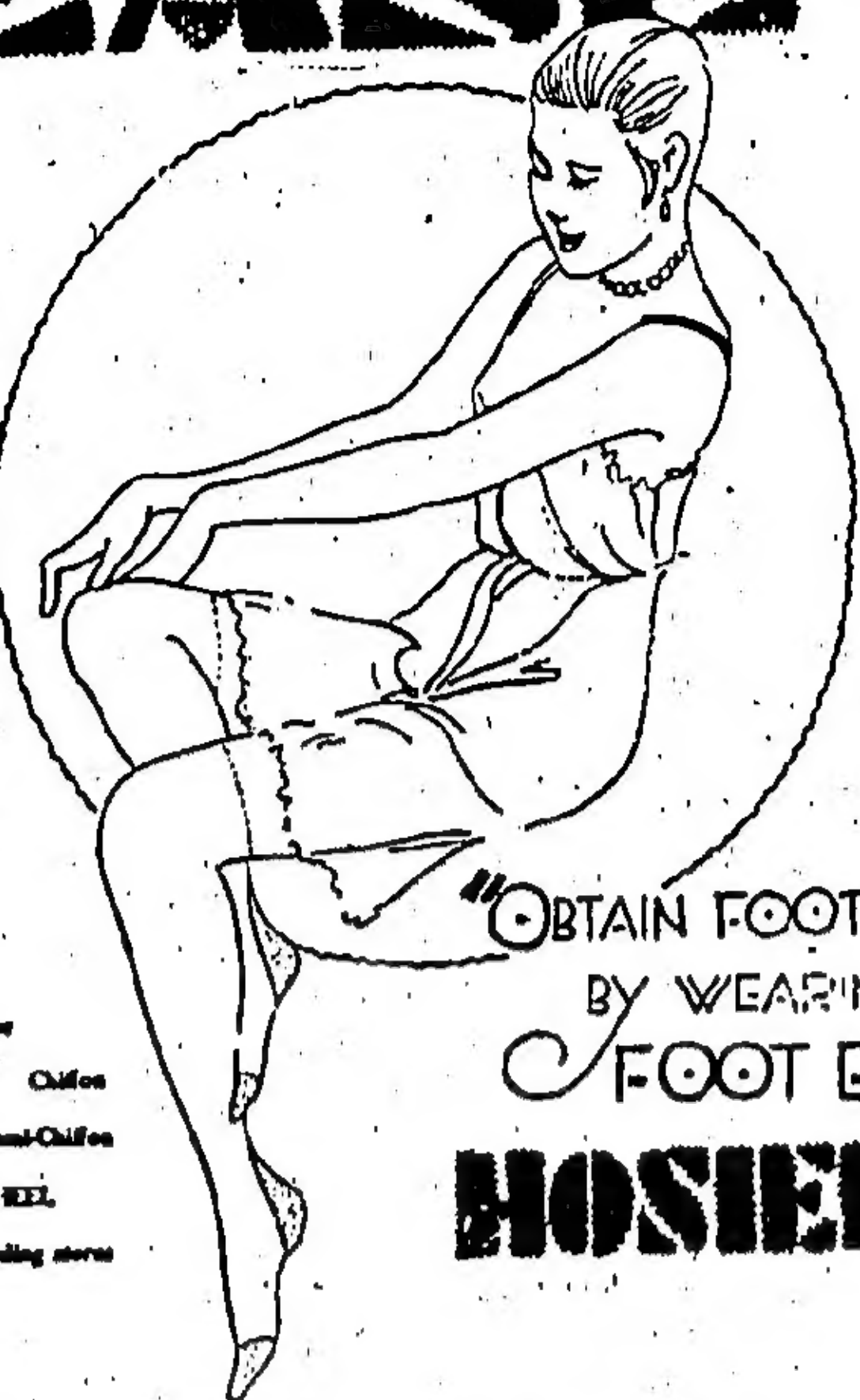
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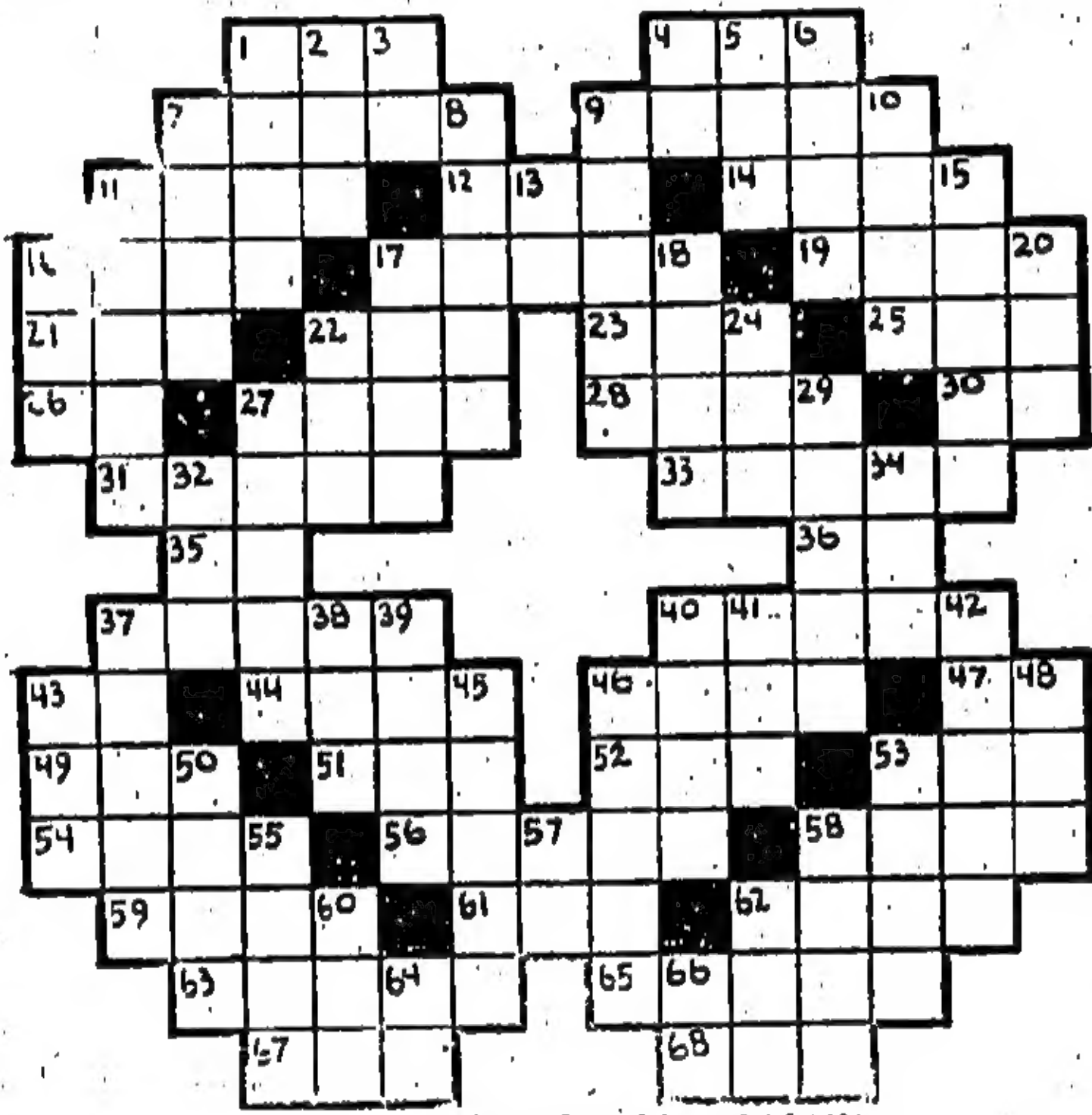


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HORIZONTAL

- 1-Innane
- 4-Principal
- 7-Landed estate
- 9-City on Dead Sea
- 11-Native of Denmark
- 12-Skill
- 14-God of love
- 16-Fine network of threads of linen
- 17-Shun
- 19-Ireland (Poetic)
- 21-Period of time
- 22-Marie nickname
- 23-Dose
- 25-Before
- 26-Company (abbr.)
- 27-Dispose of by sale
- 28-Grasp
- 30-Electric telegraph (abbr.)
- 31-Mother-of-pearl
- 33-Ascertain
- 35-God of the sun
- 36-That is (Latin abbr.)
- 37-A beautiful woman
- 40-A city in Switzerland
- 43-Elther
- 44-Gain
- 46-Comfort
- 47-Printer's measure

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 49-Year
- 51-A pastry
- 52-Scow
- 53-Bleat of a sheep
- 54-Enough (poetic)
- 56-Perceive
- 58-Large pole
- 59-Harness
- 61-Female deer
- 62-Every
- 63-Snakes
- 65-Tree of pine family
- 67-Self
- 68-Bahama (abbr.)

VERTICAL

- 1-Hair on horse's neck
- 2-One (Scott)
- 3-Perform
- 4-Proposition
- 5-Brief poem
- 6-Small orifice in the skin
- 7-A spice
- 8-Diagnose
- 9-A keen stimulus
- 10-Greater in number
- 11-A Philistine god
- 12-Square measure (abbr.)
- 13-A top-horn

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 16-Sap of trees used in making varnish
- 17-Competent
- 18-Obscure
- 20-Ensnare
- 22-Combining form
- 24-Air
- 25-Transfix
- 27-Song
- 28-Repose
- 32-Metric land measure
- 34-Tiny
- 37-Convey
- 38-Wrap around
- 39-Goddess of discord
- 40-Baggy
- 41-Inquire
- 42-Three in general
- 43-Crude metal
- 44-Requires
- 45-A frame
- 46-Be tangled
- 50-Bard
- 53-German composer
- 55-Articles of same class
- 57-Negative
- 58-Machinery (abbr.)
- 60-Torn piece of cloth
- 62-Epoch
- 64-River in N. Italy
- 65-A degree (abbr.)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



WIRELESS VALVES

LICENCE GRANTED FOR
LOEWES

MONOPOLY BROKEN

A decision of vital importance to the future of the wireless trade in England was made by the Comptroller of H.M. Patent Office in mail week. It will affect the monopoly of the Marconi Company and upset the present rate of royalties paid in respect of wireless valves.

The decision was given under a section of the Patents and Designs Act which has been invoked only once before.

In brief, it is that the royalties on the Loewe valve (the application was made by the Loewe Co.) are too high, and that they should be reduced from £1.17s. 6d. for triple valves and £3.2s. 6d. on the long range sets to 10s. on each Loewe triple valve and 7s. 6d. on each Loewe double valve.

The respondents in the case were the British Thomson-Houston Company and the Marconi Company, who, in the opinion of the Comptroller "are substantially refusing to grant licences on reasonable terms, and are thereby prejudicing the establishment of a new trade or industry in the United Kingdom."

The application was for the grant of compulsory licences under five patents (which had been refused by the Marconi Company) on the ground that there had been an abuse of monopoly.

The decision of the Comptroller is that the licence be granted and that the scale of royalties shall be as stated above.

Twenty-one days are allowed for the parties to settle the terms of the licence.

"In the long and chequered history of compulsory licences," writes the Comptroller in his 18-page decision, "there have been two alleged abuses: the use of a patent to reserve the home market for the sale of articles imported from abroad, and the use of a patent to block improvements by subsequent inventors."

A New Advantage

Of the Loewe valve the Comptroller writes, "When we come to consider the scale on which the applicants hope to manufacture in this country, the Loewe valve will be recognised as offering a new advantage or utility for which it may be well worth sacrificing the superior sensitiveness which the use of reception admittedly affords. Broadcasting has become a feature of our national life, and a commercial policy which excludes large sections of the public from its full enjoyment is not, we think, a justifiable policy."

"The Marconi Company have secured a dominant position by gathering together in their own hands a large series of patents which, taken collectively, cover almost all broadcasting receivers of an efficient character. It is to be remarked that not one of the five patents now in question is for an invention originating with the Marconi Company. Three of them are American, one is French, and one is German in origin."

"It is a kind of super-monopoly. The applicants cannot seek alternative terms from competing monopolists. They are absolutely in the hands of those who have gathered together this far-reaching aggregation of monopolies."

Appeal Probable

A well-known patent agent pointed out that in all matters affecting the law of patents the Comptroller had absolute power but that there was always the right of appeal, in this case to the High Court.

"I consider it quite probable that there will be an appeal," he said. "The financial interests involved are so immense that it seems unlikely that the companies concerned will take the decision lying down."

There were certain circumstances, in which the monopoly rights under a patent would be considered to have been abused, he said. If the demand for the patented article was not being met to an adequate extent and on reasonable terms, for instance, or if the refusal of the patentee to grant licences on reasonable terms damaged the trade of any persons in this country, or was prejudicial to the establishment of any new trade or industry in this country.

If, he continued, the Comptroller of the Patent Office was satisfied that there had been an abuse of the monopoly rights, he might order the patent to be endorsed with the words, "licences of right." This meant that every holder of a licence from the patentee could apply to the Comptroller for an order entitling him to surrender his licence in exchange for one of the terms of which could be settled at the discretion of the Comptroller.

Further, if the Comptroller was satisfied that a remedy for the abuse could not be secured by any other means, he could order the patent to be revoked.

Mr. David Loewe, a director of both the British and the German companies, and a brother of Dr. Sigmund Loewe, the inventor of the Loewe valve, stated before the Tribunal that at the German factory last year about 1,600 triple valve sets and about 450 long range sets were manufactured daily during a "maximum" period.

An entirely new market, he said, had been opened in Germany. Half a million of these sets were sold last year to people who would otherwise have been users of crystal sets. The Loewe valve, in fact, had brought within the reach of large numbers of people who would otherwise have had to be content with headphones.

In the event of his obtaining a licence on terms which would enable the Loewe Company to manufacture on a large scale in this country, he added that he would be prepared to give an undertaking to transfer the whole of that manufacture from the German factory to the British factory. This, he added, would be in his interest, inasmuch as duties were payable in the Dominions on imported wireless apparatus and there was a preferential tariff in favour of Great Britain.

The Loewe Valve

The decision to grant to the Loewe Radio Company a licence to manufacture and sell in this country triple and double valves for wireless receivers on which the royalty to be paid to the Marconi Company will be 10s. and 7s. 6d. respectively, is of great importance to listeners for two reasons, says the "Morning Post" wireless correspondent.

In the first place, the multiple valve to be manufactured will, relatively, be inexpensive; and, secondly, because it is reasonable to expect that the royalty at present payable on ordinary receivers—12s. 6d. per valve holder—will be materially reduced.

The Loewe triple valve really comprises a glass bulb within which are three separate valves that are resistance coupled. A complete receiver, therefore, may be constructed by commencing a coil and tuning condenser to the triple valve, and also the usual batteries and the loud speaker.

The Loewe Company has been selling receivers in Germany at 25s. each wholesale and 35s. 6d. each retail, but it should not be expected that they will be sold as cheaply in this country, because the wholesalers and retailers here require much larger percentages of profit than dealers in Germany.

Valves Tested

A complete receiver may be expected to cost at least £8, and it should be remembered that it will receive a station such as London within a radius of about 15 miles only.

I obtained sample Loewe valves for a test some months ago. They were, of course, made in Germany and the workmanship was excellent. The triple valve has two anode resistances, two coupling condensers and two grid leaks as well as the three filaments, grids, and anodes.

Two of the valves are of the resistance capacity type, while the third, which has the loud speaker connected to it, is of the power type. The first valve is employed to rectify the signals collected by the aerial, the second one magnifies them, and the third valve operates the loud speaker.

No provision is made for reaction, with the result that a receiver including one of these triple valves has a rather limited range. But the Loewe Company manufactures a double valve for high frequency amplification which may be used with the triple valve. The double valve does not give great amplification on the ordinary broadcast wave lengths, but it does give reasonable magnification of the signals sent out by the long wave-length stations such as Daventry 5XX.

The selectivity, too, will be better when the two separate valves are used together in one receiver.

As a single station receiver the Loewe combination with the triple valve will probably be satisfactory, but it will not be sufficiently powerful, neither is it likely to possess sufficient selectivity, for distant stations to be received.

It is interesting to note that the company undertakes the repair of valves that have been damaged. They will repair broken filaments at little cost, with the result that a user does not lose a complete valve through the failure of one small part.

CHEAPER RADIO

NEW ROYALTIES DECISION

"A great extension of the use of wireless apparatus, including loud speakers," was the result forecast by a representative of the Radio Manufacturers' Association as likely to follow a decision in regard to patent rights reached by a special tribunal of the Patent Office. The tribunal, holding that there had been an "abuse of the monopoly," directed that royalties sought by the Marconi Company in regard to certain patents should be reduced.

A reduction in the price of sets, the representative said, would be brought about, the more appreciable in the case of small sets than for the more elaborate apparatus.

The lower prices would also, he believed, help to eliminate the "dabbler," as he was known in the trade—that is, the unauthorised maker of wireless sets, who sells them privately amongst his friends and acquaintances. On account of the high royalties there is at present a considerable inducement for men to follow this illicit trade, and it constitutes a serious problem.

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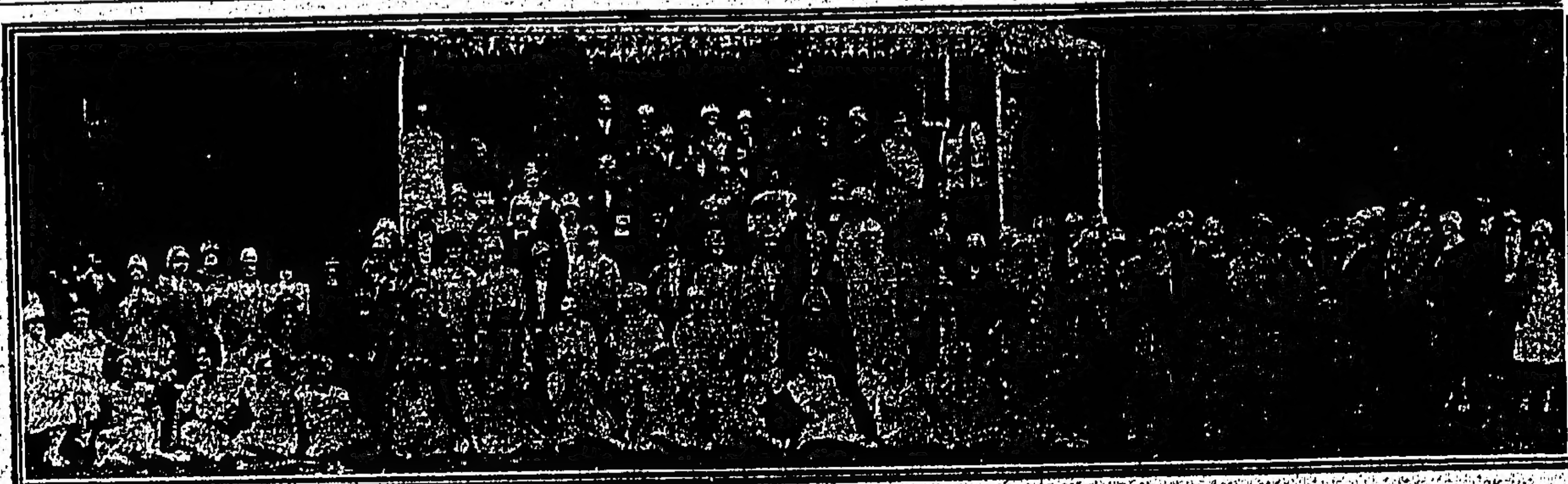
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Siberia Khyber 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow Hai Ning 2 p.m.
Amoy and Japan Kum Sang 5 p.m.

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THE COMING OF THE "TOTE"

EPSOM PROBLEMS

DOUBTFUL IF ASCOT CAN HAVE IT NEXT SUMMER

FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES

Publication of the big totalisator scheme for Doncaster has aroused interest in the steps to be taken on other racecourses. There is shortly to be a meeting of the Racecourse Association to discuss the change.

Colonel Gordon Carter, the clerk of the course at Ascot, has been at Doncaster. So far as can be gathered, it is regarded as doubtful if arrangements can be completed in time for the "Tote" to be in operation at Ascot next year.

Epson has its own difficulties which will require great consideration, but at Liverpool, it should be possible to go straight ahead with the installation of the "Tote" once the type selected is known.

The following are the views of prominent racecourse officials connected with other meetings:—

Mr. Bushby (Doncaster, Brighton, Yarmouth, Bath, Salisbury).—Mr. opinion is that the larger meetings will adopt the Totalisator, but the smaller ones, like Bath and Salisbury, will not be able to stand the expense, and will have the parliament.

Mr. Davison (Warwick).—It is going to be a terrific problem at Warwick, and personally I cannot see where necessary buildings can be erected. It depends, of course, on the nature of the machines that will be approved.

Mr. E. E. Robinson (Folkestone).—We are forwarding plans of all our existing buildings and other available space to the Racecourse Betting Control Board, and I assume that after the Board have considered these they will send down their experts to confer with us.

ARAB OUTRAGE

SPANISH MERCHANTS ATTACKED

DRIVER SHOT DEAD

Casablanca, Yesterday.

While crossing dangerous ground which necessitated a slow speed, a lorry containing a driver and two Spanish merchants named Pomares and Zubitaga, found their way blocked by two donkeys. A couple of Arab horsemen suddenly appeared and opened fire, and Pomares was wounded. The driver immediately accelerated, but the lorry was soon brought to a standstill as the petrol tank was holed.

The Arabs prevented the three travellers from escaping and shot the driver dead despite his appeal "I am the father of four children." They carried off the others after taking their money, but Pomares, seeing the police in the distance, managed to fall from his horse but was again wounded by the two bandits, who then escaped carrying Zubitaga with them.

Two police irregulars were killed, apparently in mistake by the bullets of another party of police.—Reuter.

THE PRIMATE

RECEIVES THE FREEDOM OF THE CITY OF LONDON

GUILDHALL CEREMONY

London, Yesterday.

With impressive ceremonial at the Guildhall the retiring Archbishop of Canterbury was presented with the freedom of the City in a gold box. There were present a number of Cabinet Ministers and Bishops, the Chief Rabbi and the City Fathers. The City Chamberlain, in his address, paid a tribute to the services of a great churchman and a great public figure.—Reuter.

MOTOR FATALITY

MR. FRANK DREW SUCCUMBS TO ACCIDENT

HEAD OF BIG FIRM

New York, Yesterday.
The death is announced as the result of a motoring accident of Mr. Frank Drew, chairman of the Winchester Repeating Arms Company of New Haven, Connecticut.—Reuter's American Service.

CRIME CAUSED BY SUNSPOTS?

DEATH'S PATH

REMARKABLE INFLUENCE OF STORMS ON SUICIDE

EFFECT ON MANKIND

Do the stars in their courses affect the fate of mankind?

The remarkable theory that sunspots cause homicide, suicide, and epilepsy has been advanced by Dr. Conyers Morrell, who suggests that, in some unexplained way, sunspots rays and their allied phenomena definitely influence human vitality and stability.

"The subject is singularly complex," says Dr. Morrell, "and until we are able to ascertain precisely how electromagnetic frequencies are emitted during solar storms, and their influence on the human vital processes, it is difficult to account for such anomalies."

"Investigation shows that a close correspondence exists between solar storms and suicide, and a less defined relationship with homicide and epilepsy."

Dr. Morrell added that summer marriages and births were slightly more favourable to maternal welfare than winter ones.

"I should like to say that it is a pack of nonsense, but I have practised too long to be so incautious," a leading specialist stated, referring to the sunspot theory. Science seems to be going through a period of restlessness, which is responsible for the utterance of ideas like this.

"Climate influences upon highly-strung individuals are well known, and can cause acute depression, melancholy, and even madness. In this way, it is quite possible that sunspots do have an indirect influence upon those with suicidal tendencies. Dr. Morrell will have to bring forward a bulk of data before he will convince the profession of the direct influence of sunspots on human vitality."

"The experience in Australia is that advantages of summer and winter marriages and births are about fifty-fifty," another specialist said. "From the child's point of view, in summer it escapes a large share of the risks of cold, but it faced with the danger of many summer complaints."

"I do not attach much importance to Dr. Morrell's theory," said the Government Astronomer (Mr. Nagle). "I have never heard of such a thing. He is basing theory on the periodicity of sunspots. They occur with maximum frequency every 11 years, and there is a minimum frequency at half that period. The present time is just about the maximum. It is a fact that sunspots are the centres of magnetic fields, and if the Earth is in a suitable position they produce severe magnetic storms here below. They undoubtedly affect our climate conditions; but it remains for Dr. Morrell to show that we are more prone to kill ourselves and each other at these eleven-year periods."

FRENCH ELECTION

DEPARTMENT COUNCILS RESULTS

GAINS AND LOSSES

Paris, Yesterday.

The final results, following the second ballot, in the election for the French Department Councils are as follows:—

Conservatives	98
Republicans	282
Left Wing Republicans	288
Radical Republicans	118
Radical Socialists	519
Republican Socialists	70
United Socialists	125
Communists	18

Changes

The results show the following gains and losses:—

Conservatives	1
Republicans	23
Left Wing Republicans	20
Radical Republicans	27
Radical Socialists	15
Republican Socialists	6
United Socialists	12
Communists	12

There is no change in the Communist holding.—Havas.

NEGOTIATIONS IN BARGA

NOT YET ENDED

THE PANCHEN LAMA'S GOOD OFFICES SECURED

PLAYING FOR TIME?

Mukden.—The Chinese Mongol negotiations in Barga, carried on with a view to pacifying the still recalcitrant inhabitants of that district after their recent insurrection, have not yet reached a conclusion.

Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang has secured the good offices of the Panchen Lama, who departed from Mukden for Barga on the 14th inst., but it is generally believed that, while his influence over the older people is still great, the young people's reverence for the Buddhist High Priest has largely vanished.

In order to demonstrate their resolution to settle the issue by force if necessary, the Chinese authorities have despatched considerable numbers of troops to the region. The appropriateness of this step has been confirmed by recent hostile acts on the part of the Mongols. Thus when negotiations came to a temporary rupture early this month, the Mongol troops assumed the offensive and occupied Kanjur and Yenhu, which places, however, the Chinese were able to retake immediately. The Chinese commander then received orders to quell the insurrection by force. This show of determination again made the Mongols declare their willingness to resume negotiations, and on the 16th the Chinese countermanded their previous order.

It is believed that the Mongols are playing for time in the expectation that on the advent of the severe cold of winter they will be able to hold their own, being thoroughly insured to it, while the less hardened Chinese troops may have to suspend operations altogether.—Reuter.

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EX-LABOUR PREMIER PASSES AWAY

INTERESTING CAREER

London, Yesterday.

The death is announced of the Rt. Hon. Andrew Fisher at the age of 68.

Mr. Fisher went to Queensland in 1885, and entered the Queensland Parliament eight years later. He held the post of Minister of Railways in the Dawson ministry. He represented Wide Bay in the Commonwealth Parliament for the first fifteen years of its existence, was Minister of Trade and Customs, and in 1907 Leader of the Federal Parliamentary Labour Party. He became Prime Minister of Australia from 1908 to 1909, and later from 1910 to 1913 and 1914 to 1915. He represented Australia at the Imperial Conference in 1911 and also at the Coronation of King George V. From 1916 to 1921 he was High Commissioner of Australia in England.—Reuter.

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UNLUCKY WIDOW

ROBBED OF MONEY AND JEWELLERY

Chan Ngan-ye, a widow living at No. 6, Canton-road, reported to the police last night that at about 8.30 whilst she was at the Canton wharf, a thief stole from her person, by cutting her clothing, \$300 in money and jewellery worth \$172. It was not until she was about to buy a ticket at the Yau-mat ferry wharf that she discovered her loss.

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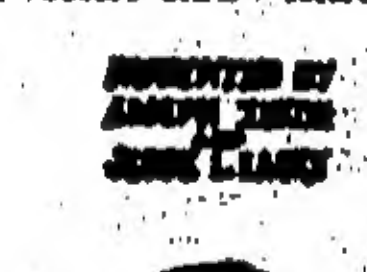
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